

## **LUERSSEN AUSTRALIA HITS MAJOR MILESTONE**

Luerssen Australia is excited to announce it has hit an important milestone, with its workforce reaching the 150 employee mark as it continues to grow.

Over the last four years, Luerssen Australia has expanded its team in Perth and Adelaide as it delivers twelve Arafura Class Offshore Patrol Vessels (OPV) for the Royal Australian Navy.

The first vessel, NUSHIP *Arafura* was launched in December last year, and another 4 are under construction.

This continuous growth further establishes Luerssen Australia as a critical partner contributing towards Australia's goal of creating a world-class sovereign shipbuilding industry.

Luerssen Australia Chief Executive Officer, Jens Nielsen, said he is proud of this latest milestone.

"This is a great moment for Luerssen Australia and its commitment to helping create a world class sovereign shipbuilding industry in Australia," said Mr Nielsen.

"We are employing Australian workers, in Australian shipyards and using Australian steel to provide the Royal Australian Navy with the vessels it needs for the future."

"Luerssen Australia is committed to recruiting dynamic and innovative people, and is continuously on the hunt for more talent with numerous roles to fill in the coming months."

With the Federal Government investing billions of dollars into the Western Australian shipbuilding sector over the next decade, Luerssen Australia sees a very bright future for the industry and is committed to staying here for the long term.

"Luerssen Australia has a long-term strategy for building and sustaining minor warships and large vessels in Henderson, and we want to be actively part of infrastructure planning."

Luerssen Australia has achieved an impressive 63% Australian Industry Content on the OPV Program and is working hard to increase this further.

Luerssen Australia is involving as many local companies as possible, and continues to embed its 147 years of shipbuilding knowledge in Australia.

A full list of current employment opportunities is available via the <u>Luerssen Australia</u> website or <u>Seek</u>.

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