



Location: Cape Town, South Africa Value: £1m Programme: 12 weeks

Requirement

The Sedco 709 is an Earl & Wright-designed semi-submersible drilling rig which is capable of operating in water depths up to 5,000 ft.

The client wanted to adapt the rig to increase its storage capacity, which required re-balancing via the use of upgraded blisters and refurbished ballast tanks.

Inter Marine was one of the contractors appointed to this challenging project in Cape Town, with just a 12 week schedule to complete works. This included the replacement of cable trays on the underside of the platform and the assistance in the removal and replacement of thrusters and fenders.

Inter Marine

Inter Marine undertook these extensive refurbishment and upgrade works while the rig was in a wet berth in Cape Town. By utilising the 196m Gavea Lifter vessel, Transocean was able to raise the rig out of the water so the refurbishment works could be undertaken.

The project involved the supply of labour, materials, plant and equipment, working within the challenging programme schedule without sacrificing Inter Marine's high standards of working quality or HSEQ.

The scheme also required strict budget management to ensure the project was delivered within forecasted costs.

Result

Thanks to Inter Marine's experienced engineering teams and strong philosophy of Health and Safety, the project was completed on the deck of the Gavea Lifter, safely and in line with the client's challenging stated programme of schedule and budget.