

## **Viking Line elected the logistics company of the year**

The Turku Chamber of Commerce and the Finnish Association of Purchasing and Logistics, LOGY r.y. in Southwest Finland annually grant an honorary award to the logistics company of the year and the logistics entrepreneur of the year. This year Viking Line was the winner of the logistics company category, while Pekka Orne was elected the logistics entrepreneur of the year.

The reasons were as follows: With its investment in a new ship Viking Line has increased the cargo capacity on the regionally and nationally important Turku–Stockholm route. At the same time, the passenger traffic through the Port of Turku was considerably stimulated. The LNG-driven ship is not only taking the environmental aspects into account, but also securing traffic as the new sulphur directive will soon enter into force. The ship was built by the Turku Yard, which enhanced employment in the region as well as improving the operating conditions of the shipyard in financially difficult times.

- We are very happy to receive this award. Additional capacity is most welcome on this important route. Our decision was preceded by long-term planning, taking the challenges of today and the future into account, says Harri Tamminen, Vice President, Freight and Port Service at Viking Line.

The awards were given at the Chamber of Commerce seminar "Liikennepäivät 2013" in Turku, Finland.

Further information:

<http://www.turku.chamber.fi/2013/10/07/vuoden-logistiikkapalkinnot-viking-linelle-ja-pekka-ornelle/>

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