Global Ports Canary Islands awarded for commitment to sustainability in Las Palmas

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Global Ports Canary Islands S.L., a joint venture of <u>Global Ports Holding</u> and its partner Sepcan, has been awarded in the category of Outstanding Business Initiative in the ports of the province of Las Palmas in the XXVI Edition of the Las Palmas Ports Awards 2023.

"The awards, organized by the Port Authority of Las Palmas and the Ports of Las Palmas Foundation, aim to recognize the most significant contributions to the development and creativity of the ports of Las Palmas in the previous year," notes the company.

"The recognition was given for Global Ports Holding & Sepcan's commitment to the development of sustainable and eco-efficient cruise terminals in Las Palmas, Fuerteventura & Lanzarote Cruise Ports. With an investment of €40 million (US\$43.8 million), the company will build four state-of-the-art terminals, including a 14,000 square meter facility in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria. The new terminals will offer visitors a comfortable and innovative experience while meeting all international safety, security and service quality standards."

Javier Rodriguez Sanchez, GPH Regional Director West Med & Asia, said, "As the world's largest cruise port operator, GPH is committed to sustainability and operational excellence. The recognition we have received for our sustainable and eco-efficient cruise terminals is a testament to our dedication to providing enhanced guest experience. With the construction of these new facilities, we are taking another step forward in our mission to create a more sustainable future for the cruise industry in Las Palmas, Fuerteventura & Lanzarote."

Sergio, SEPCAN's CEO, added, "Together we will build four sustainable and eco-efficient cruise terminals with a €40 million investment. The new facilities at the Las Palmas Cruise Port in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, one of Spain's busiest ports, will include a 14,000 square meter two-story terminal. The terminals will provide professional services, ensuring a comfortable and innovative experience for visitors while meeting safety and quality standards. The project is set to be completed within two years."

The project includes a terminal built from sustainable recycled materials to achieve low carbon footprint that will be able to provide smoother homeporting and transit operations at one of the busiest ports in Spain. Operational by 2024 cruise season, Las Palmas Cruise Port will have new retail and F&B experiences, 40 bus capacity and an improved operational structure.