

## Marina de Lagos Switches on the First Electric Boat Supercharger in Portugal

**Lagos, PORTUGAL – 10 August 2022** - Riding the wave of e-marine innovation, **Marina de Lagos** ([www.marinadelagos.pt](http://www.marinadelagos.pt)) leads the way in electric boating by becoming the first **Aqua superPower** ([www.aqua-superpower.com](http://www.aqua-superpower.com)) marine fast charging destination in Portugal. The newly installed Aqua 75 supercharger at Marina de Lagos will be part of a growing regional charging network to be rolled out along the Algarve. Partnering with **Galaxia Boats** ([www.galaxiaboats.com](http://www.galaxiaboats.com)), Marina de Lagos hosted Portugal's first all-electric boat show earlier this year, promoting a broad range of environmental boating solutions and the largest display yet of electric boats in Europe.

Known for its modern facilities and technically advanced boating ecosystem, Marina de Lagos has 460 berths and wants to become a leading centre for electric boating. Joining Aqua superPower's global marine fast charge network is part of the marina's commitment to drive marine decarbonisation and reduce the impact of boating on the environment. Located on the Bay of Lagos at the heart of the historic old town of Lagos, Marina de Lagos has become a maritime gateway to the Atlantic Ocean. The new Aqua superPower marine fast charger at Marina de Lagos represents the first station of the network and charging corridor to be built out along the Algarve and Portuguese coast.

*"Marina de Lagos is thrilled to be the first marina in Portugal to offer electric boat fast charging. This is a crucial step in our pioneering environmental protection plan, for which we have found the perfect partners in Aqua superpower and Galaxia Boats, who share our determination, experience and the commitment to greener boating and the environment. We know that electric boats are here now, and they require the reliable 'plug & go' fast charging infrastructure Aqua superPower provides." says Martinho Fortunato, CEO of Marina de Lagos.*

*"One of the main areas of intervention that we have chosen as a priority in municipal activity is to make Lagos a sustainable territory, in parallel with economic, social and cultural development. It is, therefore, with great pride that we witness the installation of the first charger for electric vessels existing on the Portuguese coast in Marina de Lagos. Without a doubt, it is an important move towards the transition away from fossil fuels and chemicals to non-polluting energy in the nautical world and will serve as a stimulus for the sector to consider its investment strategy going forwards. After all, this clean energy transition is the responsibility of us all, both individually and as a society. It is a future we have to pursue and help make a reality." says Hugo Pereira, Mayor of Lagos.*

*"We are excited to work with such a visionary and revolutionary brand such as Aqua superPower and through our work together we have helped to facilitate the installation of Aqua's rapid charger at Marina de Lagos, the first for the Algarve and for Portugal. This is an important step towards a greener, more sustainable future for generations to come as well as the marine industry. Aqua's marine fast charging network will help to promote a new era in electric boating". says Roman Wroath, Founder, Galaxia Boats.*

*"We are delighted to service Marina de Lagos as Portugal's most progressive destination in setting a positive example with the promotion of clean electric boating and sustainable marina management. We share the marina's mission to protect the oceans while enabling boat users to enjoy the water with the goal of sustainability and conservation of the environment in mind. By joining the Aqua superPower network, Marina de Lagos is able to meet the growing demand for electric boats and the infrastructure required to support them. We will be creating a fully built-out marine fast charging corridor and regional*

*infrastructure along the Algarve, starting with Marina de Lagos as the first charging hub.” says Alex Bamberg, CEO of Aqua superPower.*

A maritime town with more than 2000 years of history, Lagos is one of the most visited cities in the Algarve and Portugal. Lagos has won several awards for its sustainable practices and has been selected for inclusion in the global atlas for sustainable tourism. More than 60% of its territory is a natural conservation area and all of its beaches as well as Marina de Lagos carry the Blue Flag.

Marina owners, waterside locations, and local governments can benefit from the electric boating revolution by providing Aqua superPower’s high-speed, reliable charging infrastructure without any upfront cost. With over 70 electric boat builders currently in operation, there is a growing and fast-evolving range of models for boat lovers to explore. Aqua’s smart networked superchargers allow them to charge in 20min – 90mins.

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## **Notes to Editor**

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### **About Aqua superPower**

Aqua superPower is the first fully marinised dockside network of fast chargers for electric boats. The product range includes AC and DC charging solutions with a current maximum power output of 150 kW, allowing DC compatible powerboats to rapidly recharge and extend their autonomy. Aqua superPower has developed the first supercharger specifically engineered and rated for use in marine environments. Built to IP65 standards, Aqua superPower is a revolutionary and sustainable marine charging solution.

Aqua superPower is the first fast charge network company awarded a grant under the Clean Maritime Demonstration Competition, funded by the UK Department for Transport, and delivered with Innovate UK.

The global electric boat market is expected to be worth over \$20 billion by 2027. There are currently over 30 million recreational boats in the world. Assuming the boat market continues to grow in line with historical trends, it is likely there will be more than 1 million electric boats by 2030. Regulation will accelerate this trend. More and more areas will only be accessible to electric boats. [www.aqua-superpower.com](http://www.aqua-superpower.com)

*Source: IDTechEx, Electric Boats and Ships 2017-2027; Aqua estimates*