

Atlantas MARINE

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Atlantas Marine underwater inspection specialists honoured with King's Award for Enterprise

Atlantas Marine from Yeovil, Somerset has been recognised in the UK's most prestigious business award programme, being honoured with a King's Award for Enterprise for International Trade.

Founded in 2000, Atlantas Marine designs and manufactures underwater inspection cameras and equipment that enable marine inspections to be carried out using unmanned submersible vehicles (Remotely Operated Vehicles or ROVs), controlled on the surface by specialist ROV operators. It

has been the UK dealer of industry-leading VideoRay ROVs since 2001, supplying in excess of 400 systems. It also provides subsea offshore inspection services, technical support and training to customers worldwide, working across a range of industries including offshore wind, oil & gas and defence.



Announced on Monday 6 May, Atlantas Marine is one of 252 organisations nationally to be recognised with a prestigious King's Award for Enterprise and the only award recipient in Somerset. It was recognised for its excellence in international trade, with the company's overseas earnings growing by more than 300 per cent over a three-year period. Its overseas turnover rose from 30 per cent of its total turnover to 51 per cent, with key export regions including Central and South America, Asia and Africa.

The King's Award for Enterprise will be presented to Atlantas Marine by His Majesty The King's personal representative in the county, the Lord Lieutenant of Somerset. In addition, a special reception for recipients of King's Awards for Enterprise will be hosted later this year by His Majesty The King at Windsor Castle.

Charlie Foll, Managing Director and Founder of Atlantas Marine, said: "It is a great honour to be recognised in this year's King's Award for Enterprise. We have a fantastic and very loyal team of people working at Atlantas Marine, and this award is testament to their experience, skill and professionalism. Together we have far exceeded the growth forecast in our current business plan, written with support from the Cranfield Business Growth Programme. We hope this award will propel us to further export growth, shining a spotlight on the work we do and helping us to expand our presence in key industries such as offshore wind."

As a result of its recent growth, Atlantas Marine now employs 16 staff from its new state-of-the-art, energy efficient offices in Yeovil. With turnover in excess of £7million and expected to exceed £10million by 2027, the company plans to further expand its sales and inspection services over the coming years, particularly in the offshore wind sector.

The King's Awards for Enterprise, previously known as The Queen's Awards for Enterprise, were renamed last year to reflect His Majesty The King's desire to continue the legacy of HM Queen Elizabeth II's by recognising outstanding UK businesses. First established in 1965, the Award programme is now in its 58th year and is considered the most prestigious business award in the country.

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Notes to editors:

Pictured:

- 1) Atlantas Marine team members outside the company's Yeovil offices celebrating their King's Award for Enterprise for International Trade
(*Photo: Scott Macintyre Photography*)
- 2) The King's Award for Enterprise for International Trade emblem

Interviews:

Charlie Foll, Managing Director and Founder of Atlantas Marine Ltd, is available for interview. Please contact Kirsty Mode to arrange: T: 07808 807555 / E: kirsty@dome-marketing.com

About Atlantias Marine:

Atlantias Marine Ltd began trading in 2000 and is based in Yeovil, Somerset. The business provides underwater inspection equipment and services, working across a range of industries including offshore wind, oil & gas and defence. Inspections are carried out using unmanned submersible vehicles (Remotely Operated Vehicles or ROVs), fully controlled on the surface by specially trained ROV operators. This enables the owners and operators of equipment such as offshore wind turbines, oil platforms and ships to assess any issues relating to corrosion, faults, or compliance with environmental requirements.

Atlantias Marine's growth in overseas earnings over the three-year period has been 305.03% and the share of overseas turnover within total turnover has risen from 30% to 51%. The primary regions of export activities include Central and South America, Asia and Africa. The company wins the King's Award for International Trade for Outstanding Short-Term Growth in overseas sales over three years.

For more information: <https://www.atlantasmarine.com/>

About The King's Awards for Enterprise:

The King's Awards for Enterprise are the most prestigious business awards in the UK. The awards were first established in 1965 and since then over 7000 companies have achieved a King's Award. 2024 marks the second year of The King's Awards for Enterprise, reflecting His Majesty The King's desire to continue the legacy of HM Queen Elizabeth II's by recognising outstanding UK businesses.

The awards celebrate the success of exciting and innovative businesses which are leading the way with pioneering products or services, delivering impressive social mobility programmes, or showing their commitment to excellent sustainable development practices.

This year 252 businesses have been recognised for their contribution to International Trade, Innovation, Sustainable Development and Promoting Opportunity (through Social Mobility). A total of 257 Awards are made with five companies being recognised with two Awards.

The King's Awards for Enterprise 2024 include:

- 161 Awards for International Trade
- 59 Awards for Innovation
- 29 Awards for Sustainable Development
- 8 Awards for Promoting Opportunity (through social mobility)

Recipients of The King's Awards for Enterprise 2024 were announced here:

<https://www.thegazette.co.uk/awards-and-accreditation/content/kings-awards-for-enterprise-2024>

The King's Awards for Enterprise 2025 open for applications on The King's Coronation Day, 6th May and close early-September 2024. Almost all UK businesses (including non-profit) can apply, and the application process is free. All applications must be made online, and organisations may apply for more than one category. All entry forms, eligibility criteria and information on how to apply is available on <https://www.gov.uk/kings-awards-for-enterprise/how-to-apply>

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