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Press release

TransOcean 2: Rivals

Gripping single-player campaign for ambitious sea-dogs

Moenchengladbach/Germany, November 12th, 2015 – The **competitive multiplayer mode** of *TransOcean 2: Rivals*, which developer Deck13 Hamburg and publisher astragon Entertainment presented to press and players for the first time during Gamescom 2015 in Cologne, **has reached its alpha stage**. This promises thrilling matches for up to 8 eager high-sea logistics specialists. But also the lone-warriors among the players will fully enjoy the sequel of the successful *TransOcean*-franchise: Both crews from Hamburg and Moenchengladbach are very happy to announce the game's **single-player campaign** today!

The backstory of the single-player campaign neatly ties in with the end of the previous *TransOcean: The Shipping Company*. Here, the player could finally pay out the scheming investor Lydia Blythe-Smith and take the fate of his company into his own two hands. Various intrigues by the vindictive Lydia however finally made the successful ship owner retreat from business. One day, an unexpected visitor announces herself at his retirement abode: Heather Witherspoon, the twin sister of his former advisor Hiram T. Witherspoon. Lydia has succeeded in getting the innocent man locked up in detention awaiting trial! Of course the player does not hesitate one second before plunging right back into the challenging world of the international maritime trade in order to earn his friend's bail. A new adventure has begun...

The single-player campaign starts in North America and leads the player in six gripping chapters with steadily increasing levels of difficulty back to the top of the shipping industry. Throughout the campaign he will not only learn about the diverse gameplay elements and tactics of *TransOcean 2: Rivals*, but also discover new classes of ships, cargo and harbors. The ideal prerequisite for a successful multiplayer career! Cunningly acting Al-rivals, new features such as sabotage operations and the thrilling backstory will provide exciting – and tricky - entertainment in the single-player campaign of *TransOcean 2: Rivals*. A motivating medal system will inspire players to keep starting new game sessions in order to reach their optimum performance in each chapter.



The release of *TransOcean 2: Rivals* is planned for spring 2016. Players who would like to make themselves comfortable in the crow's nest until then should take heed of the following links:

Homepage: <u>http://www.transocean-game.com/</u>

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