

Seychelles Ports Authority
Public Relations and Communications

Event: Arrival of Logos Hope Component held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2023

## Logos Hope is back in Seychelles!

After almost eight years since its last visit in the Seychelles, the world's biggest floating library, Logos Hope is back. It will dock at the Mahe Quay, Port Victoria later today at around 1pm.

This much anticipated visit of Logos Hope will allow people the chance to purchase books of different genres within their large selection of books as well as to visit the vessel and enjoy a wide range of cultural activities.

People going on-board the vessel will access the port via its walkway which emerges from the IDC's car park. This walkway is normally used during the cruise ship season and will be opened during the coming days so as to better control and manage the number of individuals coming in and out of the port.

Since a large number of people is expected to visit this well-known vessel, specific areas have been demarcated to ensure the flow of visitors and avert any congestions at the port area so that normal port operations are not disrupted.

Logos Hope is a ship operated as a part of a faith-based organisations by Gute Bücher für Alle. She was built in 1973 and later operated as the MV Norröna providing a ferry service to the Faroe Islands. In 2004, the vessel was named Logos Hope where its journey as a floating library kicked off.

The vessel is 133 metres long with a draft of 5.22 metres. It has the capacity to accommodate 350 crew members. During the book fair, the vessel can accommodate between 800 and 1000 visitors along with its passengers.

Logos Hope is the sister ship of Doulos which did a similar journey during its existence as a floating library. The latter was decommissioned and sold in the year 2009.

During its visit in the Seychelles, **Logos Hope** will be opened from 1.00 pm to 7.30 pm on the first three days (from 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> August). From 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> August the doors will open at 9.30 am and close at 7.30 pm.

Logos Hope will depart on 16th August 2023.