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ATM Partners with EDSA to Develop Europe's Largest Tourist Resort

Marina team to incorporate an 'epic' marina

West Palm Beach, Fla. – Applied Technology & Management, Inc., has teamed with EDSA and Landmark Spain on planning the marina basin and boating infrastructure for Marina de Cope—a 5,000-acre mega project in Murcia, Spain, slated to be the largest tourist resort development in all of Europe. EDSA, an internationally renowned planning and landscape architecture firm that partnered with the Spain office of Landmark Land Co., Inc., was selected over 20 other competitors in an international design competition.

Marina de Cope will be an ultimate destination catering to 20,000 hotel guests with 9,000 residential units and two mixed-use town centers—a marina village entertainment district and a cultural civic center. A high-quality sports complex intended to capture an international market will offer five golf courses, tennis, soccer, cricket, and polo, making it the prominent sports facility in Europe. EDSA called upon ATM to incorporate a 69-acre “epic” marina basin as part of the program.



Epic: The marina basin plans for Marina de Cope include an ample variety of boating infrastructure elements, allowing functional and business synergies with the landside elements of the master plan.

(Rendering by EDSA)

“We are introducing the marina planning and design criteria that enable the development of internationally renowned yacht destinations,” says Esteban L. Biondi, senior engineer and project manager with ATM.

The proposed marina basin is divided into several sectors which will each have its own design, style, and functional characteristics—especially aimed at fulfilling and exceeding the expectations of different segments of the nautical, tourist, and residential market. Each sector will have the most advanced infrastructure design details, targeted to each market segment in order to best serve visiting vessels, guests, and crew. These sectors include a Marina Village (18), an Ultra Luxury Super Yacht Center (19), a Residential Marina (20), a Sailing Club, and a Dry Storage Facility.

“We are particularly excited about the features we will include in our ‘flower,’” says Biondi, referring to the Super Yacht Center.

“Marina de Cope will have an extraordinary impact on Spain’s future tourism development,” says Jose Jaguan, associate principal at EDSA. Construction should commence in 2007 with an estimated 15-year timeline. Upon completion, a solid investment of over \$4 billion will have been made to bring a positive and vital transformation to the Murcia region and all of Spain.

About ATM

Applied Technology & Management, Inc. (www.appliedtm.com), is a marine, coastal, environmental, and water resources engineering firm that specializes in marina and waterfront development among other niche consulting services. It serves public and private clients throughout the United States and international locations including the Caribbean, Latin America, Europe, China, and the Middle East.