



## **Erasmus Joins City Cruises' London Fleet Today**

*City Cruises acquires its first dedicated events vessel*

**London, 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019:** City Cruises, a leading operator of river services in London, acquired today, 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019, a new vessel named the Erasmus. The 300-capacity boat is City Cruises first dedicated private-hire corporate and leisure event venue in the Capital.

The 38-metre vessel has a number of versatile indoor and outdoor spaces including, three alfresco decks, a formal 130-seater dining space with booth and table seating, plus a large inside mid-deck room which increases the inside vessel capacity to 300 guests. The flexibility and technology capabilities of the boat allows event organisers to host corporate product launches, award ceremonies, company gatherings and personal celebrations from weddings to birthday parties.

Erasmus' galley and kitchen team will cater to a wide variety of dining styles, from casual fare to canapés, fine dining and upper deck BBQs during the summer months.

Kyle Haughton, managing director of City Cruises, commented; "We are thrilled to welcome the Erasmus in to our London fleet today because we have seen a growing demand for private hire amongst the corporate and leisure market. The boat's flexible space, layout and contemporary interior design made the Erasmus the perfect fit for City Cruises. Existing team members will staff the new boat, but we will be recruiting for additional team members to join our family in the future."

Corporate and leisure guests will board and disembark Erasmus from a London pier of their choice, Westminster, London Eye or Greenwich. Delegates who board the Erasmus will sail past London's iconic sights of Big Ben, Tower of London, The London Eye, Tower Bridge and Greenwich's Old Royal Navy Colleague. The starting venue hire rate for a three-hour sailing is £1,675.

To make a booking visit [www.citycruises.com](http://www.citycruises.com) or call +44 (0)20 77 400411

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### **About City Cruises**

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