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The Costa Concordia wreck removal operation has been unique in terms of scale, technical complexity, number of stakeholders and cost. The presentation mirrors LOC’s extensive involvement with the project over a five year period. It follows each phase from initial response immediately after the sinking through to selection of the removal method and contractor, parbuckling, refloating, recycling and eventually restoration of the environmentally sensitive wreck site. The focus will be on the technical challenges of refloating the damaged 45,000 tonne wreck and transporting it safely for recycling. The reasons for the choice of method and subsequent impact on all aspects of the project will be summarised.

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