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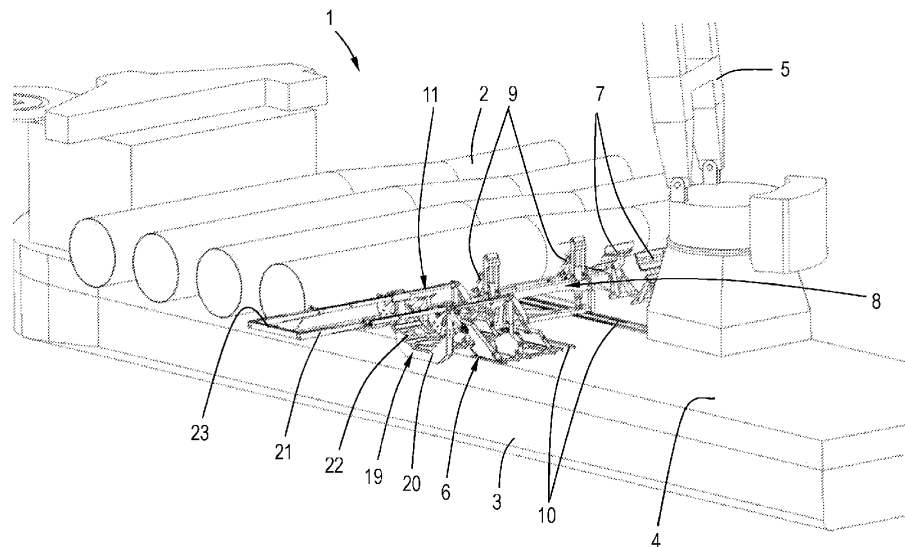


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: A vessel comprises a hull including a circumferential wall, a deck and an upending hinge which is provided with a frame that is mounted to at least one of the deck and the hull at a position along the circumferential wall and a bearing member including a bottom, two legs located at a distance from each other and extending from the bottom and a bearing surface between the legs for bearing a monopile. The bearing member is mounted to the frame through bearing member pivots at the respective legs having a common axis of rotation at a distance from the bottom of the bearing member and extending in a direction along the circumferential wall at the location of the upending hinge. The bearing member has a monopile receiving position, which is a rotational position with respect to the common axis of rotation of the bearing member pivots in which the bottom of the bearing member is located below the common axis of rotation of the bearing member pivots and the bearing surface is facing upwardly. The bearing member also has a monopile

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upending position, which is a rotational position with respect to the common axis of rotation of the bearing member pivots in which the bearing surface is located outside the circumferential wall and facing away from the circumferential wall at the location of the upending hinge. The frame is provided with a lifting mechanism for lowering the bearing member pivots with respect to their positions in the monopile receiving position of the bearing member.