

PIPELINE LAYING SYSTEM AND APPARATUS

ABSTRACT

5 The present invention relates to an offshore pipeline laying system installable on a side of a vessel, the apparatus comprising: an elongate platform for supporting an offshore pipeline, the elongate platform configured to passively pivot about at least one axis, wherein the at least one axis comprise a first axis substantially transverse to the longitudinal axis of the elongate platform; and a
10 mount for supporting the elongate platform, the mount attachable to the side of the vessel, wherein in operation, the elongate platform passively pivots about the first axis between a first orientation and a second orientation.

Figure 18

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