

■ *World's Oldest Liner Makes Final Voyage to Taiwan*

The MV Doulos steamed into port in Taiwan on April 3, 2009, for a final visit before the venerable boat goes into retirement. Built in 1914, the ship is just two years junior to the Titanic and is listed by Guinness World Records as the world's oldest liner. It is also the world's largest floating library, with a store of over 6,000 books that have traveled the globe to share good books with people around the world. Under revised international maritime law effective from 2010, the MV Doulos will no longer meet the legal requirements for continued service at that time. The MV Doulos is operated by GBA Ships e.V. (previously known as Good Books for All), a private, non-profit, charitable organization registered in Germany, and staffed by a crew of 300 Christian youth from 50 countries. (Chinese text excerpted from bcc.com)



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