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## Turn the Tide on Plastic signs first crew member

With time running out, Turn the Tide on Plastic skipper Dee Caffari has named her first crew member for the 2017-18 VOR - two-time Volvo Ocean Race veteran Liz Wardley.



Liz Wardley - Click image for a larger image

The Australian, who first competed in the Race in 2001-02 onboard Amer Sports Too, and more recently was part of Team SCA's 2014-15 campaign, joins the team as Boat Captain.

Wardley boasts more experience around the One Design Volvo Ocean 65's than anyone else on the planet having clocked up over 80,000 nautical miles over the last four years.

Since the end of the Team SCA campaign, she has been working as part of the Volvo Ocean Race Boatyard team in Lisbon, as the facility completed a comprehensive refit of the whole fleet.

**With the first Leg Zero – a mandatory series of four preliminary races for the seven competing Volvo Ocean Race teams - due to kick-off Wednesday 2 August from Cowes round the Isle of Wight, expect a flurry of announcements from the Turn the Tide on Plastic team.**

The Turn the Tide on Plastic campaign, backed by the Mirpuri Foundation and the Ocean Family Foundation, will amplify the United Nations Environment's 'Clean Seas: Turn the Tide on Plastic' message throughout the Race.

Caffari and Wardley oversaw a trial crew which recently sailed the Turn the Tide on Plastic boat from Lisbon, Portugal to Gosport, UK where the full Volvo Ocean Race fleet is stationed.