

## **Fisheries Monitoring in Iceland**

Safety at Sea issues are obviously of world-wide concern and new government legislation is being established in numerous countries to ensure vessel position reports are relayed ashore at regular intervals. This leaves vessel owners with no choice but to investigate the most cost effective and efficient methods of reporting available. This is particularly true of areas such as Iceland where over 2,600 vessels operate in the hazardous waters around the island.

To protect the safety of personnel the Icelandic state has announced that all vessels are required to install an automatic reporting system which will log the position and status of each vessel at regular defined intervals to a land based safety centre managed by The National Life Saving Association. Thales Tracs has provided the communications expertise for this significant project utilising Tracs-TDMA and Tracs-SAT/C solutions to provide reliable and accurate information from ship to shore.