# **2013 COMPANY FACT SHEET**

# WITHERBY PUBLISHING GROUP LTD

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Witherbys was founded in 1740 in London, around the time that Lloyd's List, one of the world's oldest running journals, was first published at Edward Lloyd's Coffee House. Witherbys' early business included the preparation of contracts between merchants and owners of ships and the insurance clauses associated with them. 270 years later, the company still supplies insurance clauses to the commercial marine market. In 2005, Witherbys entered into a joint venture with Seamanship International Ltd, a Scottish based company that had found its niche in delivering high quality technical marine content. While Seamanship provided content through a range of differing delivery mechanisms and media, it had exceptional expertise in the sector of electronic publishing.

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