

The invention concerns a rescue ship for a disabled vessel. It concerns a rescue ship comprising a hull which delimits an elongated dock (12) which is at least 150m long and preferably at least 250 m long and at least 30m wide and preferably at least 45m wide, and it comprises a ballasting device enabling draught modification by at least 15m and preferably at least 20m. The hull comprises two lateral hulls capable of being ballasted (14) and enclosing the dock (12), and the stem has a practically sealed door (18) which can close the rear of the dock (12). It further comprises maneuvering means designed to exert a thrust in one direction transverse at least to the longitudinal axis of the ship. The invention is applicable to the rescue of disabled vessels.