

“Leonardo Da Vinci”: Countdown For The Most Advanced Cable-Laying Vessel

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Prysmian has entrusted Sea World Management SAM with the management of the new high-tech flagship that will enter service in the second half of the year

The world's most technologically advanced cable-laying vessel “Leonardo da Vinci”, built by the Vard shipyard in Brattvåg, Norway, for the Prysmian Group is scheduled for delivery in the second half of the year. Thanks to a new contract signed in these hours, this new Prysmian flagship, will be managed by Sea World Management of Monte Carlo, which already takes care of the management of the three other cable-laying vessels of the Prysmian Group engaged in different areas of the world. “The decision taken by Prysmian - underlines Roberto Corvetta, CEO of Sea World Management - is a source of great pride. This new contract proves how carefully we undertook the management of the three other specialized Prysmian vessels; thus witnessing Sea World Management's technical ability to also operate the more technically complex ships, thus granting the optimization of their functions”.



Leonardo Da Vinci

The signing of the contract for Prysmian's new cable-laying vessel strengthens the collaboration between Sea World Management (SWM) and Prysmian Group during a very difficult period, due to the pandemic constraints. In fact, SWM shows its capability to react with maximum flexibility and elasticity to the stresses of the market, identifying and recruiting (under the guidance of Guglielmo Ruggeri, general manager of SWM) professional resources able to cope with this peculiar market situation.

SWM provides full management and consultancy services to different clients owning 21 vessels (tankers and dry bulk carriers in addition to the three cable layers) thus confirming being able to diversify while maintaining high standards for different kind of vessels

Listed on the Milan Stock Exchange, Prysmian Group is world leader in the energy and telecom cable systems industry. With almost 140 years of experience, sales exceeding 11 billion euros, about 29,000 employees in over 50 countries and 106 plants, Prysmian has invested resources and technology in the design of the world's most advanced cable-laying vessel, “Leonardo da Vinci”, projected to lay cables up to 3000 meters depth. This ship is equipped with two rotating platforms with capacities of 10,000 and 7,000 tons, the highest available on the market.

The ship is the first to be equipped with the retractable thrusters of the Wartsila WST-24R capable of ensuring maximum stability during cable-laying operations and minimizing the use of space on board. Leonardo da Vinci will operate in a market, that of submarine cables, which - according to the latest forecasts - should reach a total turnover of 26.16 billion dollars by 2025 thanks to an annual growth rate of over 12%.

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