

RINA GREEN PLUS certification awarded to new mega-yachts

GENOA-based classification society RINA has granted its new environmental notation GREEN PLUS to three new mega-yachts. A fourth GREEN PLUS mega yacht newbuilding in China was announced during the 19th Monaco Yacht Show in Montecarlo.

The 62 m yachts, MY Candyscape II and MY RoMa, built by Viareggio Superyacht, and the 41 m MY Ocean Emerald, designed by Norman Foster and built by Cantieri Navali Rodriquez received the RINA GREEN PLUS certificates.

China's Kingship Marine announced that the yard is building the 45 m Green Voyager to RINA's GREEN PLUS standards. Designed by the Axis group of Viareggio, the yacht is expected to be the first anywhere to surpass RINA's GREEN PLUS Platinum standards.

“Yacht owners seek the ultimate in performance using the most modern materials and technological innovations, and they are prepared to invest in the most innovative green technologies to ensure their yachts achieve the highest levels of efficiency and the lowest possible environmental impact,” said Ugo Salerno, CEO of RINA. “This is will encourage the introduction of new technologies, which RINA experts will evaluate on a case by case basis. That is where RINA's GREEN PLUS standards come in.”

The GREEN PLUS notation is granted to new vessels which make a significant investment in design solutions, onboard equipment and operational procedures which contribute to an improvement in environmental performance beyond the minimum levels required by international regulations on environmental protection. The goal-based voluntary notation is based on an environmental performance index which covers all aspects of the vessel's impact on the environment, including carbon emissions.

- RINA SpA is the operational company of Registro Italiano Navale, founded in Genoa in 1861, and is one of the oldest classification societies and one of the ten most important in the world. Throughout its history, RINA has progressively diversified its activities, transferring the skills acquired and consolidated in the marine

industries to other sectors, covering quality, environmental and product management system certification, social accountability certification and advanced services for industry.

- RINA has ninety offices in over thirty countries and employs around 1,300 exclusive personnel. Through its Marine Division RINA has a classed fleet of over 3,750 ships totalling 24.5m gt, plus over 1,000 yachts and over 300 special units (military ships, coast guard, police and fire brigade craft). It is a world leader in passenger ship classification. It is the world leader in classification of yachts and provides a wide range of services to yacht owners and managers, yacht designers and yacht building yards.

For photos of the yachts please e-mail: segreteria_com@rina.org

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