

## THE GRIMALDI GROUP TAKES DELIVERY OF THE GREAT CASABLANCA

The fifth of six units of the innovative "G5" class joins the fleet, offering even greater capacity and sustainability for connections between Northern Europe and West Africa.

Naples, 29 August 2024: Yesterday, the Grimaldi Group took delivery of the fifth multipurpose ro-ro unit of the innovative "G5" class at the Hyundai Mipo Dockyard Co. Ltd in Ulsan, South Korea. Named *Great Casablanca*, this vessel is intended to further enhance the quality of maritime transport services provided by the Neapolitan company between Northern Europe and West Africa, like all six sister ships in her series.

With length of 250 metres, beam of 38 metres and deadweight of 45,684 tonnes, the design of the *Great Casablanca* is the result of a careful study of the needs of the Group and its customers: thanks to an innovative and completely customized internal configuration, these ships are able to transport 4,700 linear metres of rolling freight, 2,500 CEU (Car Equivalent Units) and 2,000 TEU (Twenty Foot Equivalent Units). Compared to the previous G4-class, they have the same capacity for rolling freight while their container capacity is double.

In addition to loading capacity, the *Great Casablanca* stands out for her numerous cutting-edge technological solutions aimed at increasing energy efficiency and reducing environmental impact. The result is a significant reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per tonne transported of up to 43% less compared to other Grimaldi con-ro multipurpose vessels.

"We are proud to present the Great Casablanca, a new technological gem that helps make our fleet younger and more efficient," commented Grimaldi Group S.p.A. President **Gian Luca Grimaldi**. "Thanks to our investments, we can offer our customers regular services with high transport capacity while ensuring maximum respect for the environment."

Starting from next October, the *Great Casablanca* will be regularly operational on the Grimaldi Group's route connecting major ports in Northern Europe and in West Africa.

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**The Grimaldi Group,** headquartered in Naples, operates a fleet of over 130 vessels and employs approximately 18,000 people. Wholly owned by the Grimaldi family, it is a multinational logistics Group specialised in the operation of roll-on/roll-off vessels, car carriers and ferries. It comprises seven shipping companies, namely: Grimaldi Deep Sea, operating in the transport of rolling cargo and container on the Atlantic routes and between the Mediterranean and West Africa; Grimaldi Euromed, specialized in the transport of rolling freight in Europe, in the Motorways of the Sea and in the transport of passengers in the Mediterranean with the Grimaldi Lines brand; Atlantic Container Line, which offers transport services for containers and rolling cargo between North America and North Europe; Malta Motorways of the Sea, whose vessels connect Malta to the main ports in the Mediterranean; Minoan Lines, operating in Greek cabotage for the transport of freight and passengers; Finnlines, operating in freight and passengers transport in the North and Baltic Sea; Trasmed GLE, active in the transport of freight and passengers between mainland Spain and the Balearic Islands.

The maritime connections are the core of an advanced logistics chain, which includes port terminals and road transport companies. The over 20 port and terminals owned/operated by the Grimaldi Group are located in 13 countries around the world: Italy, Spain, Greece, Germany, Sweden, Finland, Denmark, Ireland, Belgium, Egypt, Cameroon, Nigeria, Benin. Most of these terminals are fitted with Pre-Delivery Inspection (PDI) facilities, warehouses and workshops.

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