

GRIMALDI LINES: FROM SHIPS TO CREWS, THE REAL COVID-FREE JOURNEY

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Naples, 23 July 2021: The Grimaldi Group has always paid great attention to the protection of the health of its passengers and crews. For this reason, since the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Neapolitan company has implemented and constantly updated specific health protocols on all its ro-pax vessels, in compliance with current regulations.

In parallel, the Group has worked hard to ensure that the personnel on board its ships receive the anti-Covid vaccine as soon as possible. Thanks to these efforts and to the sensitivity and cooperation of local and national authorities, today about 90% of seafarers employed on Grimaldi Lines ships have received at least the first dose of vaccine. This share is expected to reach 100% by the end of July – an eagerly awaited and significant milestone, as it is indicative of an even safer journey for both crews and passengers.

"There is no possible recovery without safety, and a rapid, widespread and effective vaccination campaign is the only way to finally leave the pandemic behind us," said the Neapolitan group Managing Director **Emanuele Grimaldi**. *"With our Covid-free vessels, we are doing our part in responsibly supporting the revival of tourism and the economy in general"*.

Currently, ro-pax vessels with the Grimaldi Lines livery serve the mainland Italy-Sardinia, mainland Italy-Sicily, Italy-Greece, Italy-Spain and Italy-Tunisia maritime links.

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The Grimaldi Group, headquartered in Naples, operates a fleet of over 130 vessels and employs approximately 16,000 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 six 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, shipowning company; 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.

The maritime connections are the core of an advanced logistics chain, which includes port terminals and road transport companies. The 22 port terminals owned/operated by the Grimaldi Group are located in 12 countries around the world: Italy (Salerno, Monfalcone, Civitavecchia, Catania, Gioia Tauro, Savona Palermo & Livorno), Spain (Barcelona, Valencia and Sagunto), Germany (Hamburg), Sweden (Wallhamn), Finland (Turku & Helsinki), Denmark (Esbjerg), Ireland (Cork), Belgium (Antwerp), Egypt (Alexandria), Cameroon (Douala), Nigeria (Lagos), Benin (Cotonou). Most of these terminals are fitted with Pre-Delivery Inspection (PDI) facilities, warehouses and workshops.