

GRIMALDI GROUP WINS

“EXCELLENCE IN DECARBONISATION TOWARDS 2050”

AT THE LLOYD’S LIST EUROPE AWARDS

Naples, 13 December 2019 – Grimaldi Group won “**Excellence in Decarbonisation towards 2050**” at the Lloyd’s List Europe Awards presented on the 10 December at the Hilton Hotel, Park Lane, London. The event, organized by the renowned international publication Lloyd’s List, was hosted by English actor Hugh Dennis. Among the 400 shipping professionals who attended the ceremony there were also representatives of the main international organizations in the sector, such as the Secretary General of IMO (International Maritime Organization), **Kitack Lim**, and the Secretary General of ICS (International Chamber of Shipping), **Guy Platten**.

In his opening speech, **Richard Meade**, managing editor of Lloyd’s List said: “*Each year at these events I stand before you and explain that the Lloyd’s List Awards are more necessary than ever, precisely because they reward successful endeavour in the face of seemingly intractable problems. But I also think that this collective view of excellence and endeavour has a more practical purpose. Sharing ideas is not just a good idea - it’s a question of survival*”.

“*We are extremely proud to receive such an important recognition, in a historic moment in which environmental sustainability is no longer a choice but a duty,*” stated **Emanuele Grimaldi**, Managing Director of the homonymous Group, commenting on the latest success of the Neapolitan company. “*Awards like this represent not only a goal, but above all an incentive to do even better. We will continue to commit ourselves and invest in green innovation, in order to contribute ever more significantly to the reduction of the environmental impact of transport-related activities*”.

Earlier this year, addressing audiences in London, Emanuele Grimaldi declared: “*There is a tide of change coming in our sector and we need to prepare*”. Indeed, the Neapolitan Group has been putting in place for years an investment plan aiming at energy efficiency and emission reduction, through which it has achieved goals that are often better than those prescribed by the most recent international regulations regarding environmental issues. Such investments include, among others, the use of alternative energy sources through the use of mega-batteries, solar panels and wind turbines, as well as a new class of state-of-the-art hybrid ro/ro vessels that will be delivered with some of the lowest CO₂ output ever achieved. The Group’s active commitment to leading the way across the whole industry through investments in innovation seriously impressed the Lloyd’s List Europe Awards judges, who unanimously declared the Neapolitan shipping company the inaugural winner of this important award.



In the picture, from left to right: Grahaeme Henderson, Vice President Shipping & Maritime, Shell International Trading & Shipping; Emanuele Grimaldi, Managing Director, Grimaldi Group; Hugh Dennis, actor and host of the 2019 Lloyd's List Europe Awards.

For more information:

Grimaldi Group – External Relations: Paul Kyprianou Ph: 081/496246; Mob: 3204076539; Email: kyprianou.paul@grimaldi.napoli.it

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 21 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.

P
R
E
S
S
R
E
L
E
A
S
E