

PRESS RELEASE

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## RINA certifies Commitment to Environment and Safety of Carnival Maritime

RINA Services, a world leader in marine classification and certification, recently awarded Carnival Maritime GmbH ISO 14001 and BS OHSAS 18001 certificates.

Now the Carnival Maritime office in Hamburg as well as 26 ships in Carnival Maritime's fleet have been awarded environmental management ISO 14001 and occupational health and safety management BS OHSAS 18001 certifications. The certified fleet includes Costa and AIDA ships.

Initially only ships belonging to Costa Crociere were included in RINA Services scope of work. This was then expanded to include AIDA Cruises ships, in order to incorporate best practice across both fleets.

Not only do these new certifications make Costa Group's fleet greener and safer, but also more cost effective. "RINA Services was invaluable to us during the execution of this project. We were confident that they could easily adapt to certify our newest ships as well. We have an integrated fleet that allows us to put sustainability and safety management at the heart of our business" said Lars Ljoen, Managing Director Carnival Maritime GmbH.

The certifications were presented by Michele Francioni, CEO, RINA Services to Lars Ljoen, Managing Director Carnival Maritime at a ceremony in July.

"We are very pleased that we were able to help Carnival Maritime with this project. Not only did it build on our relationship with Carnival Maritime, but it also further supported our strategy to become a hub for marine certification services in Eastern and Western Europe" said Michele Francioni, CEO, RINA Services. RINA Services is currently working to support Carnival Maritime across several projects in Germany.

RINA Group, the parent company of RINA Services, opened a new office in Germany, Hamburg earlier this year to support its German clients with new specialist expertise, including Asset Integrity Management and Technology Qualification.

Today, the Group is able to provide enhanced marine services, business assurance certification and consulting engineering to German and North European companies. RINA Group was also recently permitted to certify energy management systems according to the ISO 50001 standard, which makes it easier for organisations to integrate energy management into their strategy to improve quality and environmental management.

*Carnival Maritime is the marine service unit for the Costa Group, Europe's leading Cruise Company. This unit bundles competences and best practices in the area of marine operations to achieve the highest security standards in the cruise industry for the fleet of the Costa Group, which currently includes 26 cruise ships of the brands Costa Crociere, Costa Asia and AIDA Cruises. Carnival Maritime combines the*

*company's expertise in the areas of marine, technology, health, environmental protection and security for the Costa Group in Hamburg. The unit was founded in 2015, and employs 150 specialists.*

*RINA Services S.p.A. is the RINA company active in classification, certification, inspection and testing services.*

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