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## **FINCANTIERI HOSTS DELEGATION FROM AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE CAPABILITY AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT COLLEGE AT ITALIAN SHIPYARD**

This week Fincantieri's Muggiano shipyard located in La Spezia, Italy hosted a delegation from the Australian Defence Capability and Technology Management College which is part of the Department of Defence.

Commander Sean Leydon, Directing Staff of Capability and Technology Management College, led the delegation.

The delegation received an overview of Fincantieri, one of the world's largest shipbuilding groups and contender for the Federal Government's SEA 5000 Future Frigates project including the company's Naval Vessels Business Unit and of CETENA, a company within the Fincantieri Group dedicated to research and consultancy in the naval and maritime field.

The group also had a detailed tour of the Muggiano Shipyards, one of 20 shipyards owned by Fincantieri in Italy and around the world.

Fincantieri Australia's Chairman Dario Deste said that the visit reflected the company's desire to engage key stakeholders from Australia and to show them the company's naval shipbuilding capabilities, including its deep technical and engineering experience.

"We were delighted to host Sean and the team from Australia to build a better understanding of Fincantieri's longstanding naval shipbuilding experience that stretches back 237 years to 1780 and construction of more than 7000 ships," Dario said.

"Fincantieri pays particular attention to our close links to the Defence Forces and visits like this only help to better understand their capabilities needs. We look forward to many more future engagements of this kind," Dario concluded.



From left to right: Jistin Hardiman, Paola Riva (Fincantieri), Michael Finch, Sean Leydon, Brad Stoker, Mark Johnston, Trevor Lafrank, Arthur Dixon, Jason Gregson, Alessandro Agrifoglio (Fincantieri), Terry Crouch, Paolo Tassano (Fincantieri), Stefani Ricco (CETENA).

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