



### SILVERSEA AND FINCANTIERI ANNOUNCE PLANS TO LENGTHEN SILVER SPIRIT



*Trieste, September 26, 2017* – Ultra-luxury travel innovator Silversea has unveiled plans for its first-ever ship lengthening. The turn-key transformation of *Silver Spirit* will take place early next year at the Palermo shipyard of Fincantieri, one of the world's largest shipbuilding groups and number one by diversification and innovation.

Starting in early March, *Silver Spirit* will be lengthened by inserting a prebuilt 49-foot-long midsection housing 6 Silver Suites, 26 Veranda Suites and 2 Panorama Suites. Technical upgrades will also be implemented.

As the ship's extensive redesign takes its inspiration from the innovations of the line's new flagship, *Silver Muse*, creative dining concepts will be incorporated, and stylish décor enhancements will be made to existing suites and throughout the public spaces and outdoor areas, providing an increased level of comfort and spaciousness.

"Based on the wonderful feedback from guests sailing aboard our beautiful Silver Muse, we believe the comprehensive makeover we have planned for Silver Spirit will enrich the onboard experience and be equally appreciated by guests. They will see many of Silver Muse's innovations and elevated comforts embodied by our reimagined Silver Spirit" said Christian Sauleau, Executive Vice President of Fleet Operations for Silversea Cruises.

Giorgio Rizzo, Senior Vice President Services of Fincantieri, said: "The lengthening of a ship always entails a rare level of complexity in a sector with already high technological content as the cruise one is. Today our group and the Palermo shipyard boast an established and recognized experience in this kind of operations, confirmed by the project that Silversea has assigned us. We are particularly proud of it because we will supervise it entirely, from design to its full execution, to the delivery to the shipowner".

Silver Spirit offers a lively, convivial atmosphere for cosmopolitan travelers who enjoy a greater variety of shipboard diversions, yet crave the personalized service and authentic and "up-close" experiences for which Silversea is known. Silver Spirit is a true definition of Silversea's heritage, with a modern edge. Amplifying everything that matters: public and personal space, beautiful interior design, superior service, gastronomic cuisine and world class wine, she remains small enough to visit both secluded and iconic ports.

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**Fincantieri** is one of the world's largest shipbuilding groups and number one by diversification and innovation. It is leader in cruise ship design and construction and a reference player in all high-tech shipbuilding industry's sectors, from naval to offshore vessels, from high-complexity special vessels and ferries to mega-yachts, ship repairs and conversions, systems and components production and after-sales services.

Headquartered in Trieste (Italy), the Group has built more than 7,000 vessels in over 230 years of maritime history. With more than 19,400 employees, of whom more than 8,200 in Italy, 20 shipyards in 4 continents, today Fincantieri is the leading Western shipbuilder. It has among its clients the major cruise operators, the Italian and the U.S. Navy, in addition to several foreign navies, and it is partner of some of the main European defense companies within supranational programmes.

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**Silversea Cruises**, chaired by Manfredi Lefebvre d'Ovidio, is recognized as an innovator in the ultra-luxury cruise line industry. It offers its guests large-ship amenities aboard in its intimate, all-suite vessels *Silver Wind, Silver Shadow, Silver Whisper, Silver Spirit* and *Silver Muse*. Added to these ships, the Expedition fleet with the ships *Silver Explorer, Silver Galapagos, Silver Discoverer*, and *Silver Cloud*.

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