

EXTEL 2025: FOLGIERO "BEST CEO" FOR THE EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL SECTOR, FINCANTIERI AT THE TOP FOR ESG AND INVESTOR RELATIONS

Pierroberto Folgiero, CEO and General Manager of Fincantieri, has been recognized as the "Best CEO" for the European Capital Goods – Small & Mid Cap sector in the 2025 edition of the ranking compiled by Extel, an independent financial research company. The award, based on the evaluations of over 1,800 institutional investors and analysts, highlights his strategic vision, credibility, and effective market communication.

In detail, the Extel 2025 awards obtained by the Group are:

- Pierroberto Folgiero, "Best CEO" for the European Capital Goods – Small & Mid Cap sector;
- Giuseppe Dado, Chief Financial Officer, among the (top 3) "Best CFOs" in the Buy-Side – Small & Mid Cap category;
- 2nd place for the best ESG Program – Combined and Buy-Side in the Small & Mid Cap category;
- 1st place for the best Investor/Analyst Event – Combined in the Small & Mid Cap category;
- Paola Dimario 1st place as "Best IR Professional" in the Capital Goods – Small & Mid Cap category

Pierroberto Folgiero stated: *"This award confirms the relevance of the path we have undertaken, based on industrial transformation, technological innovation, and competitive sustainability. In a global scenario marked by profound changes, Fincantieri continues to stand out as a reference point for complex shipbuilding and European technological manufacturing. The appreciation of the international financial community motivates us to continue with determination, aware that today leading an industrial company also means being able to guide the surrounding ecosystem towards concrete, lasting, and shared results."*

The Extel ranking, formerly known as Institutional Investor Research, selected the best CEOs in various sectors, highlighting the significant contribution that the CEO has made to the growth and innovation of Fincantieri. This recognition confirms the excellence of the leadership, which since his arrival at Fincantieri in May 2022, has brought an industrial vision that today sees Fincantieri as a model of technological, digital, and sustainable excellence globally.

Extel is an independent research provider that has been operating in the market for over 50 years, with a strong reputation among the international financial community. The ranking and awards are based on the results of a large independent survey conducted among approximately 1,800 global professionals, including institutional investors and financial analysts. CEOs were judged on criteria of credibility, leadership, and communication. CFOs were judged on criteria of financial stewardship, capital allocation and communication.



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Fincantieri is one of the world's largest shipbuilding groups, the only one active in all high-tech marine industry sectors. It is leader in the construction and transformation of cruise, naval and oil & gas and wind offshore vessels, as well as in the production of systems and component equipment, after-sales services and marine interiors solutions. Thanks to the expertise developed in the management of complex projects, the Group boasts first-class references in infrastructures, and is a reference player in digital technologies and cybersecurity, electronics and advanced systems. With over 230 years of history and more than 7,000 ships built, Fincantieri maintains its know-how, expertise and management centres in Italy, here employing over 11,000 workers and creating around 90,000 jobs, which double worldwide thanks to a production network of 18 shipyards operating worldwide and with over 22,000 employees.

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