

## FINCANTIERI TO PROVIDE A SUPPORT VESSEL TO THE ITALIAN NAVY

*High operational versatility, including underwater operations*

Fincantieri, through its Underwater Technology Hub, will supply the Italian Navy with a **supply vessel**, designed to deliver maximum operational versatility, including **underwater operations**. The vessel's configuration and available spaces allow it to be adapted for multiple operational roles, ensuring flexibility and rapid reconfiguration based on mission needs.

The unit will undergo **refitting at the Group's shipyard in Palermo**, with the aim of transforming it into a technologically advanced platform fully integrated within the national capability system. This project is part of a broader strategy to strengthen Italy's presence in the increasingly strategic maritime domain through modular and scalable solutions.

Fincantieri is moving toward the role of **orchestrator of highly complex technologies**, capable of operating from surface to seabed, from hardware to software. This initiative confirms the Group's commitment to consolidating its leadership in naval innovation by developing technologies that combine flexibility, security, and interoperability, while enhancing its ability to respond swiftly and in an integrated manner to national system requirements, with an industrial vision focused on technological sovereignty and innovation.

Pierroberto Folgiero, CEO and Managing Director of Fincantieri, commented: *"This project marks demonstrates Fincantieri's role as a technological enabler serving the national system, combining operational speed, innovation, and industrial vision. Through versatile and reconfigurable solutions, particularly in the underwater domain, we continue to strengthen our ability to respond effectively and in an integrated way to the needs of the Italian Navy, contributing to the development of technological sovereignty that is increasingly strategic for Italy."*

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*Fincantieri is one of the world's largest shipbuilding groups, the only player active in all high complexity marine industry sectors. The Group is a leader in the construction of cruise ships, naval and offshore vessels, and stands out for its extensive experience in the development of underwater solutions, thanks to its integrated industrial structure capable of managing and coordinating all activities related to the commercial, defense, and dual -use sectors. It holds a strong presence in key markets also thanks to the internalization of high value-added, distinctive technologies; it is also a leader in sustainable innovation and in the digital transformation of the shipbuilding sector. The company is active in the field of mechatronics, electronics, and digital naval systems, as well as in cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, and marine interiors solutions. It also offers a wide range of after-sales services, including logistic support and fleet assistance. With over 230 years of history and more than 7, 000 ships built, Fincantieri is a global player with a production network of 18 shipyards worldwide and over 23,000 employees. It maintains its know-how, expertise and management centres in Italy, where it directly employs over 12,000 workers and creates around 90,000 indirect jobs.*

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