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MEYER Group to complete cruise ship for Disney Cruise Line

MEYER Group establishes MEYER WISMAR

Wismar/Papenburg, November 17 2022 – MEYER Group will complete the build of the cruise ship under construction at the former MV Werften in Wismar for Disney Cruise Line. MEYER WISMAR plans to employ several hundred former team members of MV Werften and will equip the ship with the some of the greenest technologies available together with companies of MEYER Group. The ship is expected to set sail in 2025.

“There is a great passion for shipbuilding in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern and we believe in the abilities and courage of both the team in Wismar as well as our MEYER team to complete this grand ship. That will mark another innovative chapter in the long and rich history of shipbuilding excellence here.” says Bernard Meyer.

“As passionate shipbuilders we are very happy to save the investments, which have already been made to complete the ship and modernize the shipyard in Wismar, and deliver an innovative vessel”, explains Aloys Meeman, Managing Director of MEYER WISMAR.

Both Disney and MEYER are committed to reduce emissions, use and waste less, lower the impact of our product and build sustainably.

“When Disney approached us to jointly complete the ship, we saw great opportunities. MEYER stands for innovation, so we are especially happy to deliver a ship that will be among the first in the industry to be powered by methanol,” says Thomas Weigend, Managing Director of MEYER WERFT and MEYER WISMAR.

That will require an elaborated transformation of the ship's engines, additional tanks and many more measures that will make the ship one of the most future-proof. The ship can cruise climate neutral as soon as green methanol is available. In addition, the waste management onboard will be updated according to the newest technology available.

MEYER WERFT has already delivered three cruise ships to Disney Cruise Line. Whilst Disney Dream and Disney Fantasy entered service in 2011 and 2012, Disney Wish was the latest addition to the Disney Cruise Line fleet in summer 2022. Two sister ships are scheduled to be delivered in 2024 and 2025 by MEYER WERFT in Papenburg.