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Italian Ports on a ship tour The largest cruise ship was visited today

Civitavecchia: The *Symphony of the Seas* of Royal Caribbean Lines was open for an environmental tour today, during its call at Civitavecchia Port. Built in Saint Nazaire, the ship is today the biggest of its kind, being 362 metres long and having a total tonnage of 228.081. It can accommodate up to 6,680 passengers.

Present at the tour and the presentation of the on-going environmental initiatives, representatives of the Italian Port Network Authorities, the Harbour Masters' Office, the Mayor of the ports of Livorno, Filippo Nogarin, present also for the Italian Association of Municipalities together with the executive Antonio Ragonesi and the Mayor of Civitavecchia Antonio Cozzolino, as well as representatives of the Ministry of Transport and the Ministry of Environmental issues.

The tour was opened by the senior executives of Royal Caribbean Lines, who illustrated the initiatives that are in progress related to environmental sustainability, starting from the reduction of Co2 emissions, to the management of bilge and other liquid and solid waste. A technical tour of the ship followed both inside the waste management area and in the machine management area. The group was then brought up into the bridge area where the Captain of the ship gave his salute and answered any questions. All those present had the chance to actively participate in the debate.

“A useful day, “ was the initial comment of Assoportri Chairman, Zeno D’Agostino, “ where the integration of the diverse players of ports was possible. Environmental sustainability is one of the most important issues in ports, that as the National Association of Italian Ports, we are working on with studies and reports. We believe that the promotion of initiatives like this is essential. I’d like to take the opportunity to thank my colleague Francesco DiMajo, Chairman of the Port Network Authority of the Central-Northern Tyrrhenian Sea, for having welcomed us in the Port of Civitavecchia.”

Attached some photos of the tour.

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