

TECHNICAL SHEET - LANDING FOR CRUISE SHIPS AT THE LIGURIA DOCK

Premise

Art. 1, paragraph 2 of the Law Decree 20 July 2021 n. 103, converted into law, with amendments, by art. 1, paragraph 1, L. 16 September 2021, n. 125, concerning "Urgent measures for the protection of waterways of cultural interest and for the safeguarding of Venice, as well as urgent provisions for the protection of work", states, starting from 1 August 2021, the prohibition of transit through the waterways of San Marco Basin, San Marco Canal and Giudecca Canal of ships having at least one of the following characteristics:

- a) gross tonnage exceeding 25,000 GT;
- b) hull length at waterline greater than 180 meters;
- c) height from the waterline (air draft) greater than 35 meters, excluding ships with mixed sail - engine propulsion;
- d) use of fuel during manoeuvring with sulfur content equal to or greater than 0.1 per cent.

Art. 2, paragraph 1, has appointed a Special Commissioner, pursuant to and for the purposes of article 4, paragraphs 1 to 4, of the decree-law of April 18, 2019, n. 32, converted, with amendments, by law 14 June 2019, n. 55, the President of the Port System Authority of the Northern Adriatic Sea, with the task of proceeding with the design, assignment and execution of the following interventions, subject to an environmental impact assessment, in accordance with the provisions of current legislation on the matter, and ensuring consistency with the indications of the morphological and environmental plan of the Venice Lagoon, and subsequent updates:

1. construction of no more than five temporary mooring points in the Marghera area, two of which are already available for the 2022 cruise season, also intended for passenger ships with a gross tonnage equal to or greater than 25,000 GT;
2. maintenance of existing channels;
3. further interventions to improve nautical accessibility and navigational safety;
4. promotion of hydrogeological, geomorphological and archaeological studies aimed at safeguarding Venice and its lagoon, if in the implementation of the assigned interventions if any availability with respect to the assigned resources is confirmed.

Works on the Liguria dock

On the basis of the provisions of the Decree-Law of 20 July 2021 n. 103, the first of the temporary landings for cruise ships was identified at the Liguria Dock in Marghera, currently in state concession to VECON SpA,. The assignment for the executive design, the construction management and the operational management, as well as the coordination for safety during the design and execution phase of the intervention of "Functional adaptation of the moorings and wharves to be provisionally allocated to cruise traffic at the Liguria dock, Port of Venice" was entrusted to the company MEP Engineering.

In November 2021, in fact, the Special Commissioner for Cruises approved, with Decree no. 6/2021, the executive project, developed by MEP Engineering, relating to the functional adaptation of the quay. In December 2021, the Commissioner awarded the adaptation works of the Liguria quay (Decree no. 8/2021) to MAC COSTRUZIONI SRL, after this construction company had been identified as having the best offer during a public tender session. Also in December 2021, the works were awarded as a matter of urgency.

The Liguria temporary docking Quay will welcome cruise ships in the current year and in 2023 every

Saturday and one Sunday a month, starting from Saturday 9 April, and according to the planned operating procedure that provides for the transfer of boarding passengers to Marghera from the Stazione Marittima and disembarking at the Stazione Marittima or the airport. To date, 32 cruise ships are expected to dock in the year 2022.

The interventions, with a total value of **€ 1,889,242**, began in **December 2021** and ended on **April 3**, for a duration of 105 days, and concerned, in detail, the improvement of a road, the construction of a footpath, a barrier and the renewing of the asphalt road surface, the installation of a new public lighting system along the road, the adaptation of subservices (rainwater, electricity and data lines, black waste water), the installation of new Border fences and the adaptation of existing fences, the installation of new fixed and dome cameras. Among the civil works, furthermore, provision was made for the supply and installation of prefabricated boxes to be placed at the service of the Authorities responsible for customs and border controls and of the company managing the new approach, the supply and installation of prefabricated boxes for use as toilets and the supply and installation of a tensile structure with a surface area of approximately 1000 m² to be used as a temporary passenger station.