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Unitirreno Subsea Cable System Reaches Significant Milestones on Path to Completion

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Unitirreno subsea cable secures landing permits

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Unitirreno Submarine Networks has secured landing permits in strategic locations including Mazara del Vallo. Genoa and Rome.

The submarine cable will cover around 1,030km and is currently expected to be ready for service by Q2 of 2025.

Renato Brunetti, CEO of Unitirreno said: "Securing trunk landing permits in Mazara del Vallo, Genoa and Rome is a major step forward for Unitirreno.

"These permits are not only essential for establishing critical connection points within our subsea network but is also a significant milestone in our journey toward delivering enhanced regional connectivity to support evolving business requirements."

The trunk landing permits are crucial in establishing major connection points within the subsea cable network, Unitirreno said in a release.

With these permits in hand, the company is strategically positioned to accelerate efforts towards securing new anchor tenants.

The Unitirreno subsea cable, featuring a 24-fibre pair system, is the first of its kind in the Mediterranean region to achieve full qualification of subsea repeaters and optical cables.

Manufacturing of the cable and associated equipment is now in progress, led by Alcatel Submarine Networks (ASN). This phase of the project is progressing "according to schedule".

Andrea Cornetti, President of Unitirreno said: "The new submarine cable system will enable Unitirreno to deliver innovative subsea fibre optic technology within an open cable system structure, empowering customers to select their preferred technology solutions for individual fibre pairs.

"The expertise and technology contributed by ASN to the manufacturing process, combined with the marine capabilities relevant to survey and installation of Elettra Tlc S.p.A., further reinforce Unitirreno's mission-critical position to deliver much-needed capacity for the region."

<u>Unitirreno Subsea Cable System Nears Completion,</u> Secures Landing Permits

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Unitirreno Submarine Network (Unitirreno) has announced significant progress in developing its advanced <u>subsea</u> <u>cable</u> system, bringing it closer to its targeted Ready-for-Service date in the second quarter of 2025. The company has secured Trunk Landing Permits, achieved the full qualification of the fibre pair system, and manufacturing is currently underway.

Secured Trunk Landing Permits

Unitirreno has obtained environmental permits in locations including Mazara del Vallo, Genoa, and Rome. These trunk landing permits are crucial in establishing major connection points within the subsea cable network, the company said.

Additionally, the Unitirreno subsea cable, featuring a 24-fibre pair system, has achieved the full qualification of subsea repeaters and optical cables, marking a first in the Mediterranean region, according to the company.

Manufacturing Progress

Furthermore, manufacturing of the Unitirreno cable system and associated equipment is progressing according to schedule, led by Alcatel Submarine Networks (ASN).

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significant milestone in our journey toward delivering enhanced regional connectivity to support evolving business requirements," Unitirreno said.

Marine survey

It is worth noting that Elettra successfully carried out the marine survey of the Unitirreno project in 2023 with its survey vessel Urbano Monti. Elettra will carry out the marine installation with its cableship upon completion of the manufacturing.

The Unitirreno <u>subsea cable system</u> is expected to significantly enhance regional connectivity in the Mediterranean, meeting the growing demand for communication infrastructure linking with the Internet Exchange points in Europe, the official release said. The approximately 890 kilometer system will connect Mazara del Vallo with Genoa with a junction point in Rome and Sardinia option.