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Unitirreno to link to Sparkle's Genoa Landing Platform

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Telecom Italia's international services arm Sparkle said it has reached an agreement with Unitirreno that will see the latter's subsea cable system land at the Genoa Landing Platform. The 1,030km Unitirreno Submarine Cable System, which is expected to be ready for service by Q2 2025, will cross the Tyrrhenian Sea from

Genoa to Mazara del Vallo (Sicily) with branches to Olbia (Sardinia), Rome and more in the future.

Under the deal, Unitirreno will use Sparkle's Genoa Landing Platform to reach the Genoa Digital Hub in Lagaccio, an open and neutral colocation facility and interconnection point with other submarine cables and European terrestrial networks, as well as Internet Exchange Points like <u>Ge-DIX</u>.

Sparkle added that Unitirreno's decision to land in Genoa will give the company quick access to major European hubs without impacting the environment and saving the cost, time and administrative complexities typically needed to set up a proprietary landing infrastructure.

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