

EDITOR'S PICKS
COATING INNOVATIONS

SuperYacht

industry



I-Nova

GO ANYWHERE,
DO ANYTHING

Utopian Design

BENETTI'S OCEAN PARADISE

German Teamwork

BUILDING GREAT SUPERYACHTS

Complementary Contrasts

WITH THIS ISSUE COMING AS WE PREPARE TO CLOSE THE YEAR IT SEEMS AN APPROPRIATE TIME FOR ME TO REFLECT ON SOME OF THE YACHTS WE'VE FEATURED OVER THE PAST 12 months. One of the striking features of the year has been the ingenious ways in which seemingly contrasting characteristics have been brought together to create some really unique yachts. One of these is Holland Jachtbouw's Rainbow. Built as a replica of the 1934 racing yacht, the new version presented all the pedigree of the original, combined with the sophistication of a first-of-its-kind hybrid propulsion and power system offering silent, battery powered sailing.

Royal Huisman's Kamaxitha similarly combined elegance, incorporating beveled glass and traditional deckboard layout, with modern performance and handling. Then there was the Quatroelle from Lürssen, which successfully and rather spectacularly blended the aesthetic brilliance of Italian styling with the ingenuity of German engineering.

The interweaving continues in this issue with Cosmo Explorer's I-Nova (pg 36). A robust vessel built with a reinforced hull meeting ice class standards, the I-Nova nevertheless possesses an exclusive beauty, imparted by use of exquisite materials such as 50,000 year old preserved kauri timber from New Zealand.

This year's MYS showcased over 100 of the most exciting superyachts around, which I was fortunate enough to be able to witness first hand. One of these, Benetti's Ocean Paradise, is also featured in this issue (pg 10). Ocean Paradise is a unique yacht, showcasing the signature touch of the vessel's owner who has personally been involved in the design of each detail, ensuring a coherent flow of style throughout. In fact, the MYS revealed a resurgence of interest in distinctive designs, which bodes well for 2014 and I look forward to sharing in these developments with you next year. It only remains for me to wish you all a very happy holiday season!



MARCO GEELS | CCO
MARCO@YFNFPUBLISHERS.COM

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Geels', written in a cursive style.

MARCO GEELS
M +31 610 291 445

SYI contents

ISSUE 6 2013

GERMANY

- 22 **German Gems** – Superyachts of 2013
 26 **German Teamwork** – Building Great Superyachts

YACHT REPORT

- 10 **Utopian Design** – Ocean Paradise Connects with the Sea
 36 **I-Nova Ready for Adventure** – Go Anywhere, Do Anything

PAINT SYSTEMS & COATINGS

- 48 **Awlgrip Stays Top of the Game** –
 40 Years of Putting the Finish First
 52 **7 Editor's Picks** – Innovations in Coatings

EVENTS

- 16 **ISS Awards 2013** – World Class Yacht Design & Leadership
 33 **Breaking Records at METS 2013** – Add to Positive Vibe
 46 **Boot 2014** – The World of Luxurious Yachts in Düsseldorf

MARINE ELECTRONICS & ENTERTAINMENT

- 42 **e3 Systems** – Connectivity with Contours

REFIT & REPAIR

- 56 **Winter Revival** – Seasonal Refurbishment gets Underway

REGULARS

- 1 **Editor's Note**
 4 **News in Brief**
 58 **Outfitters Pages**
 61 **Yellow & Finch Pages**
 64 **Word on the Sea**



On the Cover

The 55m Ocean Paradise is the latest creation from Benetti's Livorno yard. Built in aluminium and steel, she is based on the consolidated and tested Benetti platform – rich with innovative content with regard to partitioning, interior design, decor and fitting out. Many elements make this yacht an example of custom avant-garde solutions: from the furnishings to the highly elaborate illumination plan. Read more on pg 10. (Photo by Jeff Brown)



SYI's Anoesha Maaskant at the Maritime Awards Gala.



Galactica Star won the Best of the Best award by Robb Report China.

WINNER TAKES ALL

Now we've come to the end of 2013, we can look back on a successful year with a lot of memorable launches, innovations and happenings. At the end of a year, people find the need to pick this year's favourites and winners. This also reflects in the number of award galas for the superyacht industry around the globe, which represent the industry at an international level.

One of the several award ceremonies last month was the 2013 **DAME awards** at **METS**. The overall winner was the Vector Fin stabiliser from **Sleipner Motor AS**. They had been selected from 115 original entries, as the outright winner of this year's prestigious DAME award for innovation.

Another recent prestigious show was the 54th annual **Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show**, where the **Damen**-built 67m Fast Yacht Support vessel, **Garçon** won the **ISS Awards** of Distinction for Innovation at the **International Superyacht Society Awards Gala**, read more on pg 16. And **Royal Huisman's** **Pumula** won Best Sail 24-40m in the category **Design Awards**.

But the most credit must have gone to **Heesen's** 65m Fast Displacement **Galactica Star**, who has won her fourth international recognition in less than a month. Just recently she won the 'Best of the Best' accolade by **Robb Report China**. Just weeks after receiving the **Nautilus** award from Yacht Design Magazine, the **Prix du Design** from HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco and **La Belle Classe** from the **Yacht Club de Monaco**. Read more about her on pg 16.

You might say the Dutch shipyards were well represented this year, nevertheless the Dutch Gala Award SYI attended in October, the **Dutch Maritime Awards Gala**, was lacking superyacht prizes. So for the next year, I hope 2014 may bring us joy and even more superyacht award galas.

Wish you all a happy and inspiring new year.

Anoesha Maaskant – Junior Editor
anoeshka@ynfpublishers.com

“

Galactica Star won her fourth international recognition in less than a month.