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SUBMISSION OF REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO PUBLISH THE PROSPECTUS

Rome, May 6th 2014 – Following the shareholders' meeting of May 5th 2014, FINCANTIERI S.p.A. ("**Fincantieri**" or the "**Company**") announces that it has filed today with CONSOB (the Italian Securities and Exchange Commission) the request for permission to publish the prospectus for listing and Initial Pubblic Offering.

Banca IMI, Credit Suisse, J.P. Morgan, Morgan Stanley and UniCredit Corporate & Investment Banking are acting as Joint Global Coordinators. Banca IMI is acting as the public offering's Lead Manager, while UniCredit Corporate & Investment Banking is serving as the Sponsor. The Joint Bookrunners are: BNP PARIBAS, Citigroup Global Markets Limited, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch, Goldman Sachs International, HSBC Bank plc and Mediobanca. Equita SIM is acting as financial advisor to Fincantieri, while Rothschild is the financial advisor to Fintecna, entirely owned by CDP.

The law firms of Gianni Origoni Grippo Cappelli & Partners and Sullivan & Cromwell are acting as the Company's legal advisors, Chiomenti Studio Legale as Fintecna's legal advisor, and Lombardi Molinari Segni and Latham & Watkins as the legal advisors to the Joint Global Coordinators and the Joint Bookrunners. The Company's auditors is PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Fincantieri *is one of the world's largest shipbuilding groups, which in over 200 years of maritime history has built more than 7,000 vessels. It is world leader in cruise ship construction and a reference player in other sectors, from naval vessels to cruise ferries, from mega-yachts to special high value-added vessels, ship repairs and conversions and offshore vessels. Headquartered in Trieste, the Group has more than 20,000 employees, of whom 7,700 in Italy, and 21 shipyards in 4 continents. In 2013 the Group acquired VARD, a company listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange that builds offshore support vessels for oil and gas extraction and production.*

Fincantieri has doubled in size to become the main occidental shipbuilder and the first one by diversification and presence in every high value-added sectors. Fincantieri operates in the United States through its subsidiary Fincantieri Marine Group (FMG). This company, which serves important government customers, including the U.S. Navy and Coast Guard, has three shipyards (Marinette Marine, Bay Shipbuilding, Ace Marine), all located in the Great Lakes region. Fincantieri is present in the UAE with Etihad Ship Building, a joint venture set up with Melara Middle East and Al Fattan Ship Industries, to design, produce and sell different types of civilian and military ships as well as perform maintenance and refitting activities.

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