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OVATION OF THE SEAS JOINS ROYAL CARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL FAMILY



(Royal Caribbean International officially took delivery of its 24th ship, Ovation of the Seas. Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.'s Chairman and CEO Richard D. Fain, left, officially receives the new ship from Meyer Werft Yard's Managing Partner Bernard Meyer, right, in a signing ceremony held in Bremerhaven, Germany.)

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MIAMI, April 8, 2016 – There's a new member of the Royal Caribbean family as the global cruise line officially took delivery of its 24th ship, *Ovation of the Seas*, in a ceremony held today in Bremerhaven, Germany. Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.'s Chairman and CEO Richard D. Fain received the new ship from Meyer Werft Yard's Managing Partner Bernard Meyer at the official handover ceremony. *Ovation of the Seas* is the third Quantum-class ship built at Meyer Werft and together with her sister ships, *Quantum of the Seas* and *Anthem of the Seas*, features unprecedented first-at-sea experiences and amenities.

"Ovation of the Seas is magnificent," said Richard. "Our thanks to the Meyer Werft team for their ongoing partnership in designing and building awe-inspiring ships with us."

"It's wonderful to welcome *Ovation of the Seas* to the Royal Caribbean family of ships," said Michael Bayley, President and CEO, Royal Caribbean International. "We have once again introduced yet another one of the most technologically advanced cruise ships and the very first that has been built for the China market – a market we continue to demonstrate our commitment to expanding. Quantum Class has redefined the status quo, and we are excited for our guests in China and Australia to enjoy their extraordinary vacations onboard this stunner."

Ovation of the Seas will now sail to Southampton, U.K., where the ship will offer a series of short getaways before she sets sail on her 52-night "Global Odyssey" culminating in the arrival to her homeport in Tianjin, China. She will begin her first homeport sailing season in China from Tianjin in June 2016. Ovation, together with Quantum of the Seas, Mariner of the Seas, Voyager of the Seas and Legend of the Seas, will make up the largest fleet of any cruise line sailing in China.

Ovation and her sister ships, Quantum of the Seas and Anthem of the Seas, belong to the Quantum class of ships and are built with the most advanced technology. They feature first-at-sea amenities including the North Star, an observation capsule that gently rises more than 300 feet in the air to treat guests to breathtaking panoramic views; thrilling skydiving and surfing experiences; Two70, a daily social space which transforms into a multifunctional entertainment place in the evening; and SeaPlex, the largest indoor activity space at sea, which includes basketball, roller-skating, bumper cars, and more.

Each ship offers 18 restaurants onboard with a variety of cuisines to choose from as well as the industry's most relaxing and luxurious accommodations at sea with the unique Loft Suites and groundbreaking Virtual Balcony staterooms, interior accommodations that feature large digital screens displaying real-time views, ensuring that every room has a view.

Ovation spans 18 decks, encompasses 168,666 gross registered tons, carries 4,180 guests at double occupancy and features 2,091 staterooms. Media can find more details, images and videos at www.royalcaribbeanpresscenter.com/Ovation. To learn more about Royal Caribbean International, visit www.RoyalCaribbeanPressCenter.com.