



Pierfrancesco Vago, Executive Chairman, MSC Cruises

As Executive Chairman, Pierfrancesco Vago leads MSC Cruises' strategy and long-term vision, focusing on the Company's sustained growth and the development of its fleet and terminal portfolio. In this role, which he assumed in 2013, he has spearheaded the launch of MSC Cruises' second fleet expansion plan. It will see up to six ship classes join the Company's fleet in ten years.

Mr. Vago also oversees the MSC Group's subsidiaries with strategic relevance to the tourism sector, including ferry operator GNV and MSC's future luxury cruise brand that is set to start operating in 2023.

In January 2021, Mr. Vago was appointed CLIA Global Chairman. In this position, he is leading the cruise industry's efforts to resume service following the global halt of cruise operations brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Vago has been closely involved in the cruise industry's global association for many years and from 2014 to 2016 he held the Chairmanship of CLIA Europe.

As Chair of the MSC Foundation's Executive Committee he oversees the MSC Group's philanthropic efforts, focusing on conservation, humanitarian, and cultural projects.

From 2003 to 2013, Mr. Vago was MSC Cruises' CEO. In this position, he oversaw MSC Cruises' first phase of expansion, which saw the first 12 purpose-built cruise ships join the Company's fleet in just ten years.

Mr. Vago began his career in the family business, Franco Vago SpA, one of Italy's leading transport companies. He joined MSC Group's cargo business Mediterranean Shipping Company in 2000, becoming Line Manager for the USA, Mexico and Canada in 2001.

Mr. Vago studied Economics in the UK, at St Catharine's College, University of Cambridge.

MSC Cruises is the world's third largest cruise brand and the leading one in Europe, South America, the Gulf region and Southern Africa. MSC Cruises also enjoys a strong presence in the Caribbean, North America and China.

