

## The GNV Splendid ?floating hospital? ship docks in the Port of Genoa

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**The Liguria Region takes delivery of the Splendid “floating hospital”, stationed at Ponte Colombo in Genoa’s Ferry Terminal.**

*Genoa, 19 March 2020* – Amid the **coronavirus emergency**, on behalf of the regional health care authority of Liguria, the **ferry liner GNV** has **reconverted** its **ferry passenger vessel into a facility fully equipped** to assist COVID-19 patients under quarantine, and patients during convalescence.

“The deployment of the “floating hospital” is the result of the relief efforts made on the part of the **Regional authority**, the health care service and private companies to help ease crowded hospitals across Genoa and Liguria, and is a prime example of how the port can serve a new role for the city,” announced the **Port Authority President**, Paolo Emilio Signorini.

The project is the brainchild of **GNV of the MSC group, together with RINA**, in strict cooperation with the **Liguria Health Care Service** and **Civil Defense**, and the ship was successfully sent into action in a short space of time.

The floating hospital can provide treatment to hundreds of patients, and expand capacity in land-based hospitals to treat cases of COVID -19, not only in Liguria, but also in other parts of the country. A group of Genoa-based and other Italian companies have offered their services

and supplies to this worthy initiative.

**More Information:**

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