



*At the Awards Ceremony, from left to right:
Ralf Sempf - Director Purchasing Meyer Werft
Lambert Kruse - Managing Director Meyer
Werft Volker Schumacher - General Manager
International Farbenwerke (retired)
Andrew Rayner - Marine Manager
International Farbenwerke
Bernard Meyer - Owner Meyer Werft
Hans Thieke - Senior Purchaser Meyer Werft*

IP GERMANY AWARDED MEYER WERFT PARTNER OF THE YEAR

International Paint, Felling, UK, has announced that their German operation, International Farbenwerke GmbH, has been named 'Shipbuilding Partner of the Year 2008' by Meyer Werft Papenburg.

According to International Paint, this is the third year running that Meyer Werft has awarded the 'Partner des Jahres' prize to their top suppliers. The award is part of the shipyard's supplier management initiative which continually assesses the performance of suppliers and rates them accordingly. The award, which also includes the categories mechanical engineering, outfitting, interiors and innovation was based on the results of supplier ratings during the construction of the cruise vessels 'Celebrity Solstice' - the largest cruise vessel ever built by Meyer Werft, the 'AIDAbella' and the passenger ship/ container carrier 'Gunung Dempo'.

At the awards ceremony, Mr. Hans Thieke, Meyer Werft Senior Purchaser made reference to the contribution made by International Farbenwerke GmbH through coatings which have helped reduce shipyard VOC's (volatile organic compounds), improved operator fuel efficiency through advanced foul release technology and reduced operator maintenance costs through high performance coatings for external vessel areas.