

FSG New Build “W.B. Yeats”:

Entry into service is scheduled for September 2018

Due to delays in the delivery of interior components for public areas and on the electrical system installation in the hull and deckhouse, work on the new build NB771 “W.B. Yeats” will continue for a few weeks. Entry into service is now planned for September 2018. The Flensburger Schiffbau-Gesellschaft (FSG) has openly informed its customer, Irish Continental Group (ICG).

Rüdiger Fuchs, CEO of FSG, says: “All the key functions of our shipyard and our key suppliers are on the ship, and meet daily to ensure direct and efficient communication. Our team is fully focused on completing this first of two large passenger ferries which ICG has ordered from FSG.” To overcome delays in the delivery of interior components intended for the public areas of the ferry, FSG has made additional funds available to pay second level suppliers directly.

About the building process: Construction of the “W.B. Yeats” is currently in the final stages. The shipbuilding contract was signed in May 2016, with the first steel cutting in April 2017, and keel laying in September 2017. The hull was floated on 19 January 2018, subsequently the passenger blocks were fitted on the hull using a floating crane and then welded into place.

Facts and figures for the new build NB771 “W.B. Yeats”:

194,8 metres length
31,6 metres breadth
54,975 gross tons
33,600 kilowatts main engine power
1,885 passengers and crew
455 passenger cabins plus 60 crew cabins
2,8 kilometres of lane
Fitted with scrubbers to clean ship emissions

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Photo caption: New build NB771 "W.B. Yeats" at the FSG pier

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