



THE 2008 NYMPHENBURG/MONACO YACHT SHOW DESIGN PRIZE goes to the sail yacht *NIRVANA* built by VITTERS

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Monaco, 26 September 2008: HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco, HRH Prince Luitpold of Bavaria and Luc Pettavino, organiser of the Monaco Yacht Show, awarded the 2008 Design Prize to the sail yacht *Nirvana* built by Vitters.

The 18th Monaco Yacht Show's Design Prize has recompensed the sail yacht *Nirvana* (53 metres, launched in 2007 by the Dutch Vitters Shipyard) for its elegant contemporary design by Dubois Naval Architects in collaboration with Spanish designer Josep Juanpere Miret.

The predominant horizontal lines of its furnishings coupled with the warmth of the materials and diverse textures employed in its interior design create strikingly contrasting plays on light.

Since 2003 the Design Prize has highlighted the partnership between German porcelain manufacturer Nymphenburg and the Monaco Yacht Show; each year it singles out the yacht with the most innovative, elegant and distinguished design at the show.

The trophy is an artwork created by New York designer Ted Muehling whose pieces feature in the German porcelain manufacturer's contemporary collection.

Nymphenburg was founded by the Bavarian Royal Family in Munich in 1747 and today symbolises a 260-year-old tradition of manufacturing handcrafted porcelain.

For more than 60 years the manufacturer has been creating porcelain items for yachts and the company is now strengthening its connections with luxury yachting by manufacturing bespoke pieces in collaboration with naval architects, interior designers and renowned artists.



From left to right around H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco: Luc Pettavino, Managing Director of the Monaco Yacht Show, Isak Andic Ermay, owner of Nirvana, Dr Jörg Richtsfeld, Chairman of Nymphenburg, H.R.H. Prince Luitpold of Bavaria, proprietor of Nymphenburg.