

# Turkey's Cemre and Sefine bag Basto Fosen passengership deals

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Turkish shipyards continue to reel in orders in niche markets from northern European owners, with two facilities winning contracts to build high-tech passenger ferries from Norwegian interests.

Cemre Shipyard signed off 2014 with an order from Basto Fosen for a 600-passenger double-ended ro-ro passenger and vehicle ferry that will be delivered in the fourth quarter of 2016. No price has been revealed.

Cemre commercial manager Sinan Kavala says Basto Fosen has been licensed to operate the ferry between Horten and Moss, one of the busiest routes in the Oslofjord, from 2017 to 2026.

Norwegian designer Multi Maritime has been contracted to design the 142.9 metre long, 20.7 metre wide, ferry that will be classed by DNV GL.

In addition, the ferry will have capacity for 200 cars and between 24 and 30 trucks. It will have two main engines to be installed at each end of the vessel. Each main engine will have 2,250 kW power at 900 rpm in accordance with IMO III.

The ferry has been designed for low energy consumption and emissions, says Kavala. It will consume 25% to 30% less fuel and the engines will emit more than 80% less nitrogen oxide (NOx) than existing ferries.

Meanwhile, on 10 January the yard launched its first ship this year. The 74-metre-long fishing



► **HAVYARD DELIVERY:** Cemre Shipyard in action. Pictured, the yard's first delivery of 2015, the 74-metre-long fishing vessel/trawler *Smaragd*.

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vessel *Smaragd* is the 32nd unit that Cemre is delivering to Norway's Havyard.

The second yard that has snagged orders from Basto Fosen is Sefine Shipyard, also in the Yalova region outside Istanbul. The shipbuilder has secured two units, apparently identical to the one being built at Cemre, for delivery

in September and December 2016.

In November, Sefine clinched a deal to build two 114-metre ferries for the Port of Tallinn.

Designed by Norway's LMG Marin and classed by DNV GL, those ferries will carry 150 cars or 10 road trains, plus 600 passengers. The vessels are due for delivery in July and August 2016.