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**MEDIA RELEASE**

A-ROSA plans to resume cruising in June

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Rostock, 18 May 2021 – A-ROSA currently plans to resume cruising on Europe’s rivers in June. The move follows the success shown in both the ongoing vaccination roll out and the measures put in place to control the pandemic across Europe.

It is expected that A-ROSA’s cruises on the Douro, Rhine and Danube will restart by mid-June at the latest and in France by the end of June.

Countries across Europe are currently outlining their plans to reopen for tourism. Portugal has already opened its borders to tourists whilst Austria will allow river cruises on the Danube again from 19 May. Slovakia and Hungary have not yet given dates for when hotels (including river cruises) will open, but both countries are now recording low case numbers. The German federal states along the Rhine have included tourist accommodation (including river cruises) in their current reopening of tourism plans, expected to be in place by mid-June. The Netherlands and Belgium are also expected to follow suit and in Switzerland, hotels are already open. A four-stage plan in France is set to allow cruise and passenger ships to operate from 30 June.

Last year A-ROSA sailed successfully for five months under a series of strict health and hygiene protocols.

Jörg Eichler, managing director of A-ROSA Flussschiff GmbH comments: “It is really encouraging that tourism in Europe finally looks like it can return soon. We are busy adapting and updating our current protocols in line with the latest regulations in the countries we sail through, and will announce them in the coming days. Our successful five months of sailing in 2020 clearly shows that cruising with A-ROSA can be safe and enjoyable.”

International guests will be welcomed on board in line with each countries entry and exit requirements.

Caption

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A-ROSA plans to resume cruising on Europe’s rivers in June. Photo: A-ROSA River Cruises/Tom Kohler

About A-ROSA

A-ROSA is the creator of cruises with a difference that take in cities, towns and countryside along Europe’s most beautiful rivers: the Danube, Douro, Rhine/Main/Moselle, Rhône/Saône and Seine. The current fleet is made up of 12 premium ships, all of which combine the amenities of a hotel (quality entertainment programme, modern facilities) with the benefits of a cruise. On board, Premium all inclusive rate guests can enjoy varied buffets, high-quality drinks and access to the SPA-ROSA, which features a sauna, massage room and gym. One of the highlights of the cruises is

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the opportunity to relax on the sun deck or balcony and watch the magnificent scenery drift by. The ships dock in central locations, close to the heart of European metropolises, renowned historical sites and famous cultural and natural attractions – providing unforgettable experiences. To ensure that the cruise is a hit with the whole family, there are generously sized cabins, a Kids Club and heated outdoor pools, as well as a programme to suit every guest's needs. What's more, children aged 15 and under travel free. A-ROSA Flussschiff GmbH is headquartered in Rostock/Germany and has sales offices in the UK and Australia.

Further information about the company as well as accompanying press material can be found at www.rosa-cruises.com/press