



## **NEW IMS PROJECT FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN CIRCUIT**

**Annapolis, Maryland (10 January 2004)** – Farr Yacht Design has completed research work and is in the final detail design stage on a new IMS project for the Mediterranean Circuit. Construction of the first one, Design 539, for the CAM Team led by Fernando León of Spain is currently underway.

Results from an intense look at the latest version of the IMS rule combined with CFD analysis of hull variations and innovative deck geometry options have produced some features not yet seen on IMS boats. "The close examination of rule workings has allowed us to significantly upsize the boat in terms of length and sail area within a set rating limit" said Jim Schmicker, Senior Naval Architect at FYD. "While the appearance of the resulting boat is sure to turn heads, the new design will give our clients the best rating for size benefits for Mediterranean sailing conditions". The new CAM follows a long line of inventive IMS designs from Farr Yacht Design. Starting in 1992 at Key West Race Week with their breakthrough design "Gaucho", FYD has won 6 IMS World Championships and between January 2001 and the present FYD designs have won over 32 IMS regattas worldwide.

A lot of rule variations, race format changes and design research have occurred over the years and we are looking forward to seeing our latest creation enjoy similar successes on the Mediterranean this summer.

There is still time to order and build a Farr Yacht Design optimized for the 2004 IMS season. We are ready to help your team start winning today.

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