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**VICTORY DESIGN AT THE *FESTIVAL DE LA PLAISANCE* 2008 IN CANNES
WITH THE NEW METAPHOR 68**

**GROUND-BREAKING TECHNICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL SOLUTIONS
BY VICTORY DESIGN**

Victory Design has recently opened a new collaboration with the Turkish boatyard, Alen Yacht. The first project - the Metaphor 68 - has been presented at the latest Cannes Boatshow.

In the wake of a worldwide search, the Tuzla Istanbul-based yard selected Victory Design to work on a new range of yachts under the name of Metaphor, destined to become a new benchmark for the sports cruiser market. The strong point of Victory's team of designers, and the aspect that clinched the contract, was the firm's all-encompassing approach, which contemplates innovative architectural and style elements together with refined technical solutions as regards structural, hydrodynamic and propulsive systems for boats. Thanks to its long experience, Victory Design conceived a strongly innovative concept, for an entire range of boats focusing on precise position within the market,

"The Metaphor 68 fully expresses the *modus operandi* of Victory Design, which designed the hull, structure, exterior and interior lines; in other words, the entire conception, which is exactly the sort of project the team favours. "The new model continues the work started years ago on the Dart 38", declares Brunello Acampora, founder of Victory Design, who was joined by Massimo Bruni in 1997.

The project has many strong points: from the hull with out-of-the-ordinary parameters creating an unusual amount of space for a 68', to the architectural features providing innovative solutions for a close contact with the sea. The boat features an enormous cockpit, a direct access via the door positioned in the centre of the unusual windscreen to the central teak passageway located forward and equipped with lateral sunbathing areas. A peculiar layout of the main deck around the central instrument panel. On both sides of the helmstation two stairways lead below deck, one to starboard to the cabins - three with en-suite bathrooms - and another to port to the large, light-filled galley, which is provided with a second access to the guests' lobby.

The ample use of glass allows for plenty of light and views in all the cabins on board. The hard top slides out of the way and has dimmable glass.

The owner's full-width cabin is located amidships and is fitted with large panoramic windows and a walk-in wardrobe next to the en-suite bathroom. The VIP cabin further forward also has a large bathroom with shower, panoramic windows and a large wardrobe. The third guests' cabin has twin beds, and it too has a large panoramic window and bathroom with double access to be used also as a day toilet.

The crew area - two cabins with two bathrooms - are reached separately from the stern.

The tender is stowed in its own garage aft.



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The interior design is wholly contemporary in style, with white and black contrasting each other: polished ebony, black embossed leather, optical white decorations contrasting with brushed surfaces.

Equally sophisticated if less visible is the construction in multi-axial fibres and post-cured vinylester resin, partially made using a resin-infusion process and with large areas of sandwich construction and local unidirectional carbon reinforcements.

Propulsion is provided by the innovative Flexidrive P2000 with trimmable semi-submerged propellers, fitted with the revolutionary Boomex trimming system. On top of excellent performance, this system also assures easy manoeuvring in port and at intermediate speeds, comparable to that of a traditional shaft.

The fruitful collaboration between Alen Yacht and Victory Design is destined to become even closer in future, with an 88' and 108' model already in the pipeline.

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Technical data Metaphor 68:

Shipyard:	Alen Yacht - Turkey
Project:	Victory Design - Italy
Lenght overall.:	20,40m
Beam:	6,45m
Draft:	1,18m
Empty displacement:	36 t
Engine:	2 x MAN V12 1550 CRM
Drive:	FLEXIDRIVE P 2000 with BOOMEX
Trim tab:	Flexitab composite
Fuel tanks capacity:	4000 litres
Water tanks capacity:	1000 litres
Category:	"A"
Passengers:	16 people
Cabins	3 + 3 bathrooms

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