• EVENT

LOGISTIQUE ET TRANSPORTS MASSIFIÉS : CRÉATION D'UNE PLATE-FORME D'INNOVATION

A partnership agreement was signed on 10 December by Dunkerque-Port, Dunkirk Urban Community, the Nord-Pas-de-Calais Regional Council, Eurotunnel company, the Greater Calais Community, Calais Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Nord-Pas de Calais Logistics and Transport Club, Lens Euralogistic Hub, and the Opal Coast and Artois Universities. The agreement, an initiative of the «Transport Terrestre Promotion Northern France» association which heads up the i-Trans world competitiveness cluster for rail and innovative transport systems, is aimed at creating an innovation platform for the development of logistics and consolidated transport.

The purpose of this innovation platform, based in Dunkirk, is to



reinforce the capacities for steering and carrying out research and development on consolidated transport and logistics. It will set up a consolidated transport observatory, organise French lobbying of the European authorities in order to position the region's

transport and logistics capacities and its connections with existing freight corridors in Europe, and develop capacities for setting up collaborative projects. It will maintain links with the International Campus on Safety and Intermodality in Transportation (CISIT) and with partner competitiveness clusters: the Retail Industries Cluster (PICOM), the Seine Normandie Logistics Cluster NOV@LOG, the RFID Cluster and the European clusters (Logistics in Wallonia, SEEDA). It will promote the investment of university laboratories in research on consolidated transport, particularly the Opal Coast University and the Artois University \blacksquare

• COMMUNICATION

DUNKERQUE-PORT ON FACEBOOK

New publications, latest news, commercial information, exceptional calls, delegations, site visits, work in progress, projects: to inform our partners, contacts and users in real time (installation of new signage for access to the Port, etc.), Dunkerque-Port's Facebook page has just been created, and we hope you will visit it •

RECORD

184 EVP

The Cypriot company Delta Shipping Lines, which started up a weekly container service between Dunkirk and St Petersburg in mid-February 2010 with a rotation from Tilbury via Dunkirk and Hamburg to St Petersburg (transit time 5 days), has broken, on 7 december, a new record with 184 TEU!



• TRADE FAIR

INTERPOM 2010

Dunkerque-Port was present at the Courtrai INTERPOM trade fair in Belgium, which was held at the end of November. This is an unmissable event for everyone in the "potatoes and fresh produce" sector of Benelux and the Nord-Pas de Calais region. The fair allowed us to showcase the new opportunities offered by Dunkirk, particularly with the DELTA SHIPPING LINES link between Dunkirk and St Petersburg •



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