

# le port de DunkERQUE

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## Coastlink's annual conference in Dunkirk

On 24 and 25 September the Port of Dunkirk will host the annual Coastlink conference at the Chamber of Commerce. Coastlink is an association of companies working towards the development of short-sea container transport. The conference will focus on the transport links between Northern Europe and the Mediterranean countries. The subjects

will include the market for reefers in European food chains, French port reform, collaboration between carriers to develop shortsea shipping services, and new rail and shortsea shipping services. Five sessions will be proposed with informative talks followed by discussions. The complete programme is available at: [www.coastlink.co.uk](http://www.coastlink.co.uk)

## New SE SHIPPING LINES service to Papeete and Noumea

Last June the company SWIRE SHIPPING decided to suspend its direct WRTW / Bank Line service, which had been operating for many years between Northern Europe and the South Pacific. Two months after this suspension, the company SE SHIPPING LINES has just announced the startup of its new multipurpose service, «SE 3 OCEANS LINE» which links Northern Europe, the South Pacific, Australia and New Zealand (returning to Europe via South Africa).

The first departure of «SE 3 OCEANS LINE» to Papeete, Noumea, Australia and New Zealand will be by m/v «ELBRUS», scheduled to arrive at the Port of Dunkirk on 24 September 2009. Estimated transit time is 30 days for Papeete and 39 days for Noumea. This new service will be run by a team of professionals with many years of experience in managing regular shipping lines and heavy-lift ships. The general agent for France is Currie-Nord. **Contact : [info@currie-nord.fr](mailto:info@currie-nord.fr)**



### Dominique Ardaens, appointed Director of Organisation and Human Resources

On 15 July Dominique Ardaens was appointed Director of Organisation and Human Resources of Dunkerque Port. She takes over from Bernard Léchevin.



## Visit by Dominique Bussereau

*Dominique Bussereau, State Secretary for Transport to the Minister of State, Minister of Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and the Sea in charge of Green Technologies and Climate Negotiations, came to Dunkirk on 20 July. He visited the port*

*of Dunkirk accompanied by Jean-Luc Vialla, Chair of Dunkerque Port's Board of Trustees, and Martine Bonny, Chair of Dunkerque Port's Executive Committee. The visit was on the occasion of the opening of the Coppenaxfort Bridge.*

## The Port of Shanghai visits Dunkerque Port

An important delegation from the Port of Shanghai (classed as the world's largest in terms of tonnage and second after Singapore for containers) visited the Port of Dunkirk last Friday 11 September 2009. Led by Mr Zhang Lin, Shanghai Port's Research and Strategy Director, the group was composed of Mr Wang Maohong, Mr Wang Linhua, Mr Jiang Yue-ming and Ms Qian Xiaohong (Manager of Administrative Affairs in Yangshan Port District, Finance Director, Port Terminals Director and Legal Affairs Manager, respectively). The delegation was welcomed by Martine Bon-

ny, Chair of Dunkerque Port's Executive Committee, Sales Director Daniel Deschoot, and Christophe Laurent, who represents Dunkerque Port in China. The aim of the meeting was to strengthen Dunkerque Port's links with China and to develop trade between Shanghai and Dunkirk. This visit followed the commercial mission by the Port of Dunkirk to Shanghai last June. A meeting was also held at the Urban Community on Friday 11 September, in the presence of Jo Dalrin, Vice-President in charge of Economic Development, and leading figures from the Universities of Dunkirk.

