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# **DUNKERQUE-PORT'S EXHIBITION IN** CHARLEROI

From 15 March to 14 April 2012 an itinerant photo exhibition dedicated to the Port of Dunkirk will be at Charleroi Town Hall, at the invitation of the City of Charleroi and in collaboration with Charleroi Port Authority, in the context of the partnerships between the ports and their excellent commercial and industrial relations.

Before coming to Charleroi, the exhibition, entitled "Arrêt sur Images" ("Capturing the Moment") was shown in Lille and Dunkirk in France; it then went to Belgium where its first port of call was Liège, before moving on to Charleroi. It will probably be shown in other Belgian cities before returning to France.

The exhibition, created and designed by the communications department of Dunkerque-Port, comprises 100 original pictures taken by 11 photographers: Manuel Baheux, Jean-Louis Burnod, Bernard Cartiaux, Didier Carette, Michel Guilbert, Maël Kernéis, Emmanuel Leconte, Laurent Mayeux, Christian Merlen, Sébastien Miserole and Sébastien Tomyn.

These photos are the work of artists, and show a firm commitment to the aesthetic. The aim is to present the work of photographers with very varied careers who regularly come and photograph life in the port of Dunkirk, and to reveal the unpublished pictures of an aerial photography specialist, a tethered balloon expert, and photographers on the ground with radically differing and complementary outlooks. Visitors to the exhibition will discover the port as it really is, the port from a different angle, and also the port of today prefiguring the port of tomorrow ... Operators, cargoes, the port at night and through the seasons, environmental aspects, the place of the port in the city: these virtuosos have captured everything.

Hôtel de Ville de Charleroi, Place Charles II, 6000 Charleroi, 15 March to 14 April 2012, Monday to Friday, 09.00 to 17.00, 1st Floor.

Dunkirk is classified as the 7th port of the North Europe Range which extends from Le Havre to Hamburg. Its western port offers the deepest draughts of the Range for container ships and large ore carriers..

The Port of Charleroi represents an area of 560 hectares alongside 30 km of waterways, as well as a logistics centre deployed around a trimodal platform.