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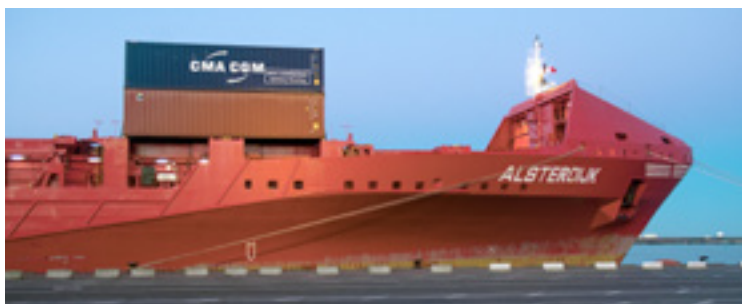
# le bateau-feu

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## CMA CGM ADDS UST LUGA TO ITS ST PETERSBURG SERVICE



In response to the growing interest of its clients for this point of entry to the Russian market on the Baltic Sea, CMA CGM has added Ust Luga to its weekly service to St Petersburg. The first departure from Dunkirk was on 4 May. The service, which already calls at the two largest terminals in the city of St Petersburg, FCT and PLP, will now also include Ust Luga, providing a direct link between this new fast-growing port and the French market (particularly Northern France). Reefer containers are accepted, as well as special pallet-wide containers (40' and 45'). The service is weekly and offers a six-day transit time to Ust Luga.

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## CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: SMALL-SCALE LNG FROM THE PORT OF DUNKIRK

**On 21 November 2012 the European Commission amended European Union Directive 1999/32/EC on reducing the sulphur content of certain liquid fuels (Sulphur Directive) pursuant to Annex VI of the MARPOL International Convention on Marine Pollution.**

To comply with these more stringent regulations, the use of LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas) as fuel for ships, instead of fuel-oil, is one of the soundest and most sustainable solutions for shipowners.



However, the use of LNG as a marine fuel requires the structuring of an entirely new supply chain in commercial ports.

With an LNG terminal currently being built, the port of Dunkirk is ideally placed both to serve its future bunkering needs and potentially to supply neighbouring ports. In 2015, Dunkirk will be the first port of entry for the SECA (Sulphur Emission Control Area) and the last port of exit to have an LNG terminal on the route of ocean-going ships.

In this context, GPMD has issued a Call for Expressions of Interest (CEI) for the setup of a marine bunkering and on-land supply chain of small-scale LNG from the port of Dunkirk.

The aim is first of all to identify all the operators likely to be interested in the setup of this activity and, secondly, to enable the selected applicants to organise themselves so as to submit a complete project file presenting an overall view of the supply chain. The projects will be studied and assessed by GPMD who will choose the winning candidate according to defined selection criteria. The successful applicant will be required to execute the project in three phases: study phase, investment phase and operational use phase, supported at each stage by GPMD.

## START OF THE 2014 CRUISE SEASON AT DUNKERQUE-PORT

Dunkerque-Port's 2014 cruise season began on Monday 12 May with the call of the Costa Classica on its way to the Baltic.



The Costa Classica, partially chartered by the tour operator TAAJ, docked at Dunkirk in the morning of Monday 12 May. The liner took its passengers on a tour to discover the ports of Norway and the Baltic until 24 May (Copenhagen, Gdynia, St Petersburg, Tallinn, Stockholm and Amsterdam). 221m long and with a breadth of 31m, the Costa Classica has 654 cabins distributed between

13 decks. Its agent is the firm Humann & Taconet. The City's medal was awarded to Philippe Fichet Delavault, the Master of the Costa Classica, during a ceremony attended by Patrice Vergriete, Mayor of Dunkirk and President of Dunkirk Urban Community, Jean-Frédéric Laurent, Deputy Chair of Dunkerque-Port's Executive Committee, and Armel Leleu, President of the Dunkirk and Flanders Dunes Tourist and Conference Centre. During the 2014 season there will be two other departures by the Costa Classica, on 24 May and 1 June; one-day calls are also planned with the liner Minerva which will berth at Dunkirk on 5 June, followed by the Braemar (Fred Olsen Cruise Line, on the theme of D-Day) on 7 June. The season will end with the call of the Saga Pearl on 28 July. Dunkirk, France's third-ranking port and the seventh port of the North Europe

Range, continues to develop its cruise activity. With its privileged geographic situation, the port of Dunkirk allows rapid access to the countries of Northern Europe. Dunkirk also offers fluid pre-routing by rail and motorway, which COSTA CRUISES sees as an advantage for its clients in France and nearby European countries. Dunkerque-Port now stands as a new alternative for tour operators and shipping companies specialising in the cruise industry: since 2011, between four and seven liners have called at Dunkirk every year, with nearly 37,000 passengers. It aims to attract both «transit» calls (one-day calls with the possibility of exploring the city centre and going on excursions) and «turnaround» calls (passenger disembarkation and boarding, and luggage transfers) that require the assistance of port handling companies.



## MEETING AT THE MULTIMODAL SHOW IN BIRMINGHAM



The Multimodal show was held in Birmingham from 29 April to 1 May 2014. Here Dominique Lammin, representing the Commercial Division of Dunkerque-Port, speaks with Princess Anne.

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## SUSTAINABILITY MORNINGS

Thursday 17 April 2014 was the date for this year's Sustainable Development Morning organised by Dunkerque-Port, at which a group of 50 local operators from various sectors came to discuss and debate subjects related to biodiversity and development. After an introduction by Yves Lalaut, Planning and Environment Director, participants were informed about topics such as the Sustainable Development and Action Plan (PA2D), the Natura 200 «Bancs des Flandres»

programme, and the different plans for the management of natural areas and materials. The aim was to review the progress of these works undertaken by Dunkerque-Port. Presentations by Sylvain Pezril, President of the OCEAMM association, and Fabrice Truant, manager of Natural Areas and Biodiversity at Dunkirk Urban Community, broadened the scope of the discussions. The event ended with a visit to the Alliés Dyke to see the recent resanding works on this structure.

### USEFUL INFORMATION:

- Friday 6 and Saturday 7 June, 10.00 to 18.00
- 808 route de Gravelines 59820 Saint-Georges-sur-l'Aa
- Events and stands for all the family
- Food available
- Tombola with prizes given out on Saturday 7 June.



### DUNKERQUE-PORT WAS AT THE FOLLOWING SHOWS:

**BreakBulk Antwerp (Belgium)**  
From 13 to 15 May 2014



**Breakbulk** EUROPE

**Medfel Perpignan**  
From 13 to 15 May 2014



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Transport Logistic China: 17 to 19 June 2014
- Friday 6 June will be dedicated to the official inauguration of the eco-landscape belt, in the presence of the Development Board of Dunkerque-Port and the project's officers and partners, and pupils from local schools will visit the site and the partners' stands.
- On Saturday 7 June members of the public will be invited to come and discover the ecological developments.