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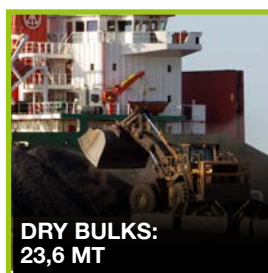
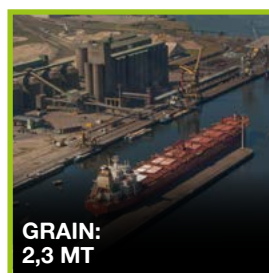
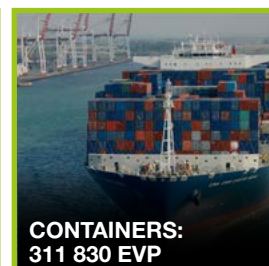
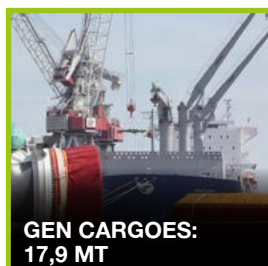
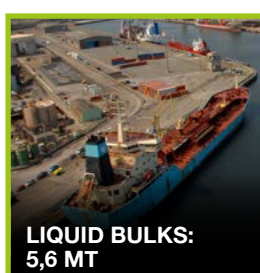
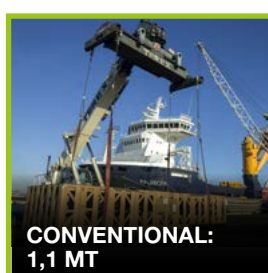
TRAFFIC

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2014 TRAFFIC: 47.10 MT (+8%)

THE TOTAL VOLUME TO THE END OF DECEMBER, FOR ALL TYPES OF TRAFFIC, WAS 43.6 MT, DOWN 8.5% COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS YEAR.



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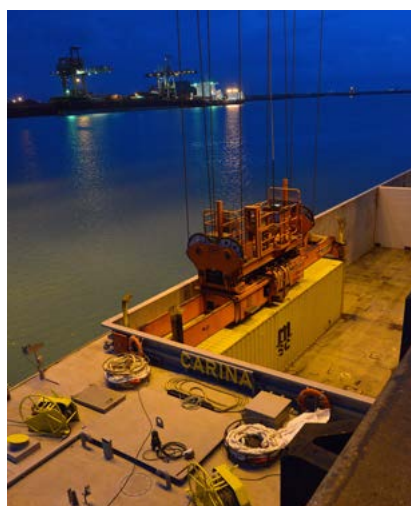
NEW BOOST FOR NPS

Nord Ports Shuttle, a waterway service linking the Port of Dunkirk with the logistics platforms of Lille port and the Dourges terminal, was launched in October 2013. Dunkerque-Port and Ports de Lille contributed to the development of this waterway link, and in November 2014 the private partners CFT and Terminal des Flandres took over the entire control of this consolidated transport service. NPS now offers an end-to-end service including optional pre-routing and on-forwarding by road.



OCEAN 3

The first call of the CMA CGM Aquila, arriving from Asia, will take place on Saturday 14 February. The first containers of CMA CGM, China Shipping, UASC and Cosco will be discharged at the Flanders terminal.





• EVENT

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NEW MEASURE FOR REVERSE CHARGING OF VAT AT IMPORT LAUNCHED IN DUNKIRK BY CHRISTIAN ECKERT, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE BUDGET

Christian Eckert, Secretary of State for the Budget to the Minister of Finance and Public Accounts, visited Dunkirk on Tuesday 13 January to meet the customs officers and economic operators of the region. On this occasion he launched the new measure for reverse charging of VAT at import.

The Minister visited the container terminal of Grand Port Maritime de Dunkerque where he saw a demonstration inspection of several containers by customs officers accompanied by teams of dog-handlers trained to detect tobacco or narcotics. He then visited Dunfresh, a company specialised in the field of refrigerated containers of fruit, and particularly bananas.

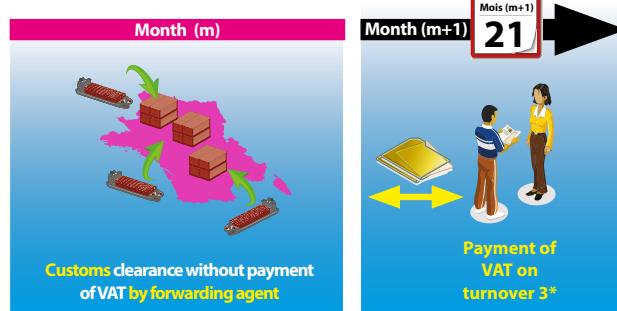
In the afternoon the Minister presented to the economic operators the measure for reverse charging of the VAT due at import. During the meeting of the Strategic Attractiveness Council on 17 February 2014, the French President had announced a measure allowing companies entitled to a single clearance procedure («PDU») to pay the VAT due at import via the periodic declaration of turnover and not on

the basis of the customs declaration. The introduction of this measure as of January 2015 falls within the scope of the modernisation of public action («MAP»), and is one of the first 50 measures adopted at the meeting of the Business Simplification Council on 14 April 2014. It simplifies the two steps that existed previously which involved different authorities, one at the time of payment (Department of Customs and Excise) and the other at deduction in the declaration of turnover (Department of Public Finance). It is now managed by the customs authorities.

This new procedure will give importers the same flexibility as that offered by competing North Sea ports. Dunkirk's port community has warmly welcomed this simplification which will enhance the attractiveness of the Port of Dunkirk.



Importation via France for licensees of the Single Clearance Procedure



More information: <http://goo.gl/o066T0>



• MISSION

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TRADE MISSION TO COASTAL WEST AFRICA

A trade mission from Dunkerque-Port visited Ivory Coast and Senegal from 20 to 24 January 2015. Two meetings were organised, in Abidjan on 21 January and Dakar on 23 January, with partners, companies and port authorities. On 23 January 2015 a new rotation of the CMA CGM/DELMAS service was started up. The EURAF1 will call at Dunkirk from Abidjan, Dakar and Tangier, Dunkirk being the first port in the northern European rotation.



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TRADE FAIRS

Dunkerque-Port will participate in the following trade fairs and shows:



Intermodal
Transamerica Expo Center,
Sao Paulo, Brazil
7 to 9 April 2015



Multimodal
NEC Birmingham,
Birmingham, UK
7 to 9 April 2015



Transport Logistic
Messe Munich,
Munich, Germany
5 to 8 May 2015



Breakbulk
Antwerp Expo,
Antwerp, Belgium
18 to 21 May 2015