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FAL 1, AN EMBLEMATIC CMA CGM SERVICE, RETURNS TO DUNKERQUE-PORT

The CMA CGM GEORG FORSTER, a ship of the French Asia Line (FAL 1) of the CMA CGM Group operated as part of the Ocean Alliance (CMA CGM - EVERGREEN - COSCO - OOCL), made its first port call at the Terminal des Flandres on Tuesday 12 May. The ship, built in 2015, has a capacity of 17,700 TEUs, including 1,254 reefer sockets.

The Asia-Europe round trip is as follows: Xingang, Pusan, Ningbo, Shanghai, Yantian and Singapore with routing lead-times of 29 days for Shanghai, 26 for Yantian and 22 for Singapore.

In the Europe-Asia direction, the ship will also call at Port Kelang in Malaysia before the port of Xingang.

The arrival of the ship coincides with the delivery to Dunkerque-Port's Terminal des Flandres of two, new, latest-generation gantry cranes. They are designed to operate with the largest container ships in the world. The major investment involved means the container terminal will have 8 gantries on its 1900 meters of guays and can simultaneously deploy up to 6 gantries on the largest vessels.

Built by world market leader ZPMC, the gantry cranes each weigh 1,700 tonnes and have a reach of 67 meters. They are the highest gantry cranes currently to be deployed in France.

The Terminal des Flandres has a maritime infrastructure that also meets the highest standards, such that the quality and reliability of the service are recognized worldwide. With these new gantries, the terminal can serve its existing customers even better and will attract even more.

About Dunkerque-Port:

Leading French port complex (Calais-Dunkerque); 9th largest port on the Channel and North Sea Ranges, 3rd largest port in France, the port of Dunkerque stands out in many segments: Leading passenger port in Europe (Calais-Dunkerque corridor); largest energy hub in France; largest LNG terminal; leading French port for containerised imports of fruit and vegetables; leading French port for mineral and coal imports; largest rail port in France; largest regional river port; 3rd largest port in France for grain traffic. Dunkerque-Port is also a sustainable Port. Dunkerque-Port is the Commercial Port of the new Hauts de France Region, the largest agricultural region of France, the leading region for the railway industry in France, and the leading region for the French automobile industry. 2019 traffic: 53 Mt.

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