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A NEW ACCESS POINT FOR A NEW LOGISTICS ZONE

The construction of the Dunkerque Logistique Internationale (DLI) South structure and service road, which began in December 2020, is making swift progress. Once completed, it will facilitate the crossing of the Loon-Plage railway complex and will directly link up to the multi-modal DLI South platform from the Continents roundabout.

With a total cost of €2.8m, the work is comprised of:

- A railway-crossing structure made up of a three-span reinforced concrete bridge, with 2 piers and 2 abutments. Measuring 51 metres long and 17.2 metres tall, it features 2 lanes for traffic, 1 lane which will eventually be used exclusively by driverless vehicles between the container terminals and the DLI South platform, and 2 pavements.
- 2 access ramps to the bridge measuring 820m, backfilled with sand.
- A new road measuring 820 metres long and 8 metres tall, which joins up to the Continents roundabout and the already-completed DLI South service road.
- A technical corridor allowing access to the gas, water and electricity networks, built into both the access ramps and the deck of the structure.

The Port of Dunkirk's Development and Environment Management teams will oversee the execution of the work.

It is expected to be completed by July 2021.

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Daniel Deschodt, interim Chairman of the Board of Dunkerque-Port: *“The construction of this structure is a clear reflection of our desire to continue welcoming investors with the best infrastructure possible. This has long been our approach, and it continues to be so. We heavily invest in infrastructure in order to achieve our goal: In 2019, Dunkerque-Port dedicated over €42m, and in 2020, the objective was to invest another €37.7m which, due to the ongoing pandemic, was reduced to €21.6m. Thanks to the Port Recovery Plan, the amount we have available to invest this year has doubled to a total of €51m.”*

About the Port of Dunkirk:

As the largest port in France (Calais-Dunkirk), the 9th largest port in the English Channel and North Sea region and the 3rd largest port in France, the Port of Dunkirk stands out in several categories: It is the busiest passenger port in Europe (Calais-Dunkirk axis), France's largest energy terminal and largest LNG terminal, its leading port for fruit and vegetable container import and for ore and coal imports, its largest rail freight port, its third largest port for cereal traffic and the region's largest fluvial port. In addition, it is a sustainable port, and it is the commercial port serving the newly formed Hauts-de-France region, France's leading region for agriculture, the rail industry and the automobile industry. Traffic in 2020: 45.2 Mt.



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