

# Navigators Gazette

## NAVIGATORS HONORED BY WWF



**NG News desk Dubai:** Navigators Shipping and Logistica is deeply impressed and excited to announce that the WWF (World Wild Fund) has honored Navigators with a certificate of appreciation. The gesture of gratitude in the form of certification was bestowed taking into consideration, the significant contributions, that Navigators team has provided in propagating the Earth Hour 2021.

Navigators has always been keen in engaging with CSR programmes from the early days of its inception, a decade back, and had been active in promulgating the need for giving back to the society and strived hard for encouraging sustainability programmes, in close association with international bodies and organizations. The management of Navigators extended their warmest gratitude to WWF for the prestigious honor and pledged their allegiance in propagating the environmental protection programmes of WWF.

Started by WWF and partners as a symbolic lights-out event in Sydney in 2007, Earth Hour is now one of the world's largest grassroots movement for the environment. Held every year on the last Saturday of March, Earth Hour engages millions of people in more than 180 countries and territories, switching off their lights to show support for our planet. But Earth Hour goes far beyond the symbolic action of switching off - it has become a catalyst for positive environmental impact, driving major legislative changes by harnessing the power of the people and collective action.

## OFFERING THE SAFEST PASSAGE FOR YOUR LCL CARGO- NAVIGLOBAL LINE

**NG News desk Dubai:** Naviglobal Line, the LCL arm of Navigators Shipping and Logistica LLC, is one of the fastest growing Non-vessel owned common carrier (NVOCC), in the UAE region. They offer their first class, world-wide LCL services, to their extensive client base within the GCC. Made largely possible with a professional and passionate work force, Naviglobal Line's reputation as a global logistics service provider has been an evolving one. Managed from end-to-end with own facilities and network, ensures predictability in the efficiency of the customer's supply chain, keeping close deadlines in the affirmative, makes NGL, the most preferred LCL partner from UAE.

Less than Container Load (LCL) services are an important tool for shippers to optimize their international supply chain. Keeping in line with the changing global economy, Naviglobal Line has devised its LCL services to provide better benefits and optimization of expenditure, to their customers.

Remaining Neutral in all aspects, Naviglobal Line has created an impressive global network with their LCL services, giving seamless reach for your shipments. Their reputation has ensured them competitive rates with major carriers for consolidated shipments.

Their Exclusive network partners and Agency networks in the Far East, Africa, Indian Subcontinent, Middle East, Europe, and Americas are to assist you with the most convenient and cost-effective routing with shortest transit time.

The state-of the art supply chain facilities and system integrated operations with-in the house, gives quick-turn around of cargo and provide information at your fingertips through track and trace solutionservice any time and every time.

### NAVIGLOBAL LINE



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## DP WORLD EXPANDS EUROPEAN INLAND NETWORK THROUGH SWISS-TERMINAL TENDER SUCCESS TO OPERATE THREE ALSACE PORTS

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Earlier this month, the public authority Syndicat Mixte des Ports du Sud Alsace (SMO) awarded the concession contract of the Ports of Mulhouse-Rhin to the public-private company composed of the SMO, the Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations and Alsaceteam (joint venture of Swissterminal and the two French seaports Grand Port Maritime de Marseille and Haropa Port du Havre).

The operation of the three French inland ports is granted through a sub delegation contract to Alsaceterminal, a wholly owned subsidiary of Swissterminal, which will take over Ottmarsheim, Huningue-Village-Neuf and Ile Napoléon ports in the course of 2021.

DP World believes this is a hugely positive announcement for the firm and its customers as it allows expansion of its already vast network across Europe, thereby offering greater geographic range, more transport solutions, and an increased number of connections.

More specifically the move will improve transport connections in the border triangle region between France, Switzerland and Germany, which holds such economic importance for numerous industries such as chemicals, metals, food processing, and construction.

The strategic location of the ports is also expected to grow in significance in the near future. New rail connections due to be implemented will link them to the two main French seaports of Le Havre and Marseille-Fos, while inland shipping to the largest North Range ports of Rotterdam (Netherlands) and Antwerp (Belgium) will be strengthened.

Source: DP world media release



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## INDIA URGES SEAFARERS TO REGISTER FOR COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

Amid the COVID-19 pandemic and the vaccine rollout, the National Union of Seafarers of India (NUSI) urges all Indian seafarers to register for vaccinations.

It is known that NUSI has been working to get seafarers recognised as key workers and prioritised for the Covid vaccine.

Recently, due to the increase in Covid-19 cases in India, some countries have banned entry to crew members who have travelled to India. In light of the situation, NUSI general secretary Abdulgani Y. released a statement encouraging Indian seafarers to sign up for vaccinations. In light of the situation, NUSI general secretary Abdulgani Y. released a statement encouraging Indian seafarers to sign up for vaccinations.

Source: Online news portals

## BRUSSELS AIRPORT SEES ACCELERATED CARGO GROWTH

250,065 passengers passed through Brussels Airport in April, down 89% on April 2019.

This very low number is explained by the ban on non-essential travel which remained in effect until the April 18 and the array of travel restrictions and conditions. Cargo traffic continues its strong growth with a 72% increase on the same period in 2020.



The very good start of the year with strong growth in cargo volumes continued and even accelerated through April, largely due to the high demand for air cargo across Europe.

Contrary to the passenger figures, cargo volumes are compared to the 2020 figures as the COVID pandemic has had only a limited impact on cargo volumes in 2020. The growth of air freight compared to 2020 is remarkable in all segments, in the integrator segment (+ 55), the full-freighter segment (+59%) and even in belly cargo, which rebounded from very low volumes in April 2020 (+492%).

Source: Online news portals

## ASIAN PORTS DOMINATE NEW CONTAINER TERMINAL EFFICIENCY INDEX

The new global Container Port Performance Index (CPPI), launched by the World Bank and IHS Markit, ranks Yokohama, as the world's most efficient port ahead of King Abdullah Port, Saudi Arabia and Qingdao, China.

The index finds that Asian container ports are the most efficient in the world, dominating the Top 50 spots. Despite being the highest ranked European port Algeciras in Spain is at position 10 in the index. Colombo in Sri Lanka is the top-ranked port in South Asia at 17th place and Mexico's Lazaro Cardenas leads the Americas at 25th.

Canada's Halifax is the only other North American port in the Top 50. Djibouti, in 61st place, is the top-ranked African port. The index, the first of its kind, is a comparison of global container port performance that is intended to identify gaps and opportunities for improvement in container port operations.

The index scored ports against different metrics, making the efficiency ranking comparable around the globe by assessing and standardising for different ship sizes and container moves per call. It is based on total port hours per ship call, defined as the elapsed time between when a ship reaches a port to its departure from the berth having completed its cargo exchange.

The index indicates that key port performance metrics such as minutes per container move show large discrepancies in global port efficiency. While top performers such as Yokohama take just 1.1 minutes on average to load or unload a container in a standard port call, the average for equivalent workloads in African ports is more than three times that at 3.6 minutes.

Source: Online news portals

## INTERESTING FACTS FROM HISTORY

Ceramic containers for food storage date back around 8,000 years and were developed in the Middle East. Prior to that, food was primarily eaten where it was cultivated or transferred, albeit poorly, wrapped in animal skins or grasses.

Wooden boxes, barrels and crates came around 3,000 years later. They have even been found holding personal belongings in Egyptian tombs.

## QUOTABLE QUOTE



*The most authentic thing about us is our capacity to create, to overcome, to endure, to transform, to love and to be greater than our suffering*

**Ben Okri**

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