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Alsaceteam: commercial operator of the new governance of the Ports of Mulhouse-Rhine

Alsaceteam SAS, the commercial operator made up of Swissterminal AG, the Grand Port Maritime de Marseille and the Grand Port Fluvio-Maritime de l'axe Seine, is pleased to announce the concession agreement for the management, operation, development and improvement of the ports of Southern Alsace was successfully closed on 29 June 2021.

Within Alsaceteam, Swissterminal AG, the Grand Port Maritime de Marseille and the Grand Port Fluvio-Maritime de l'axe Seine will develop multimodal connections, including rail services, between the French seaports and the hinterland of the Swiss-France-German triborder region. This partnership offers the opportunity to connect the tri-border region to the Mediterranean in addition to its access to the English Channel and the North Sea. The three shareholders of Alsaceteam will combine their commercial and organisational networks to develop traffic between the three ports.

"The successful closing of this project offers a real opportunity to connect the tri-border region to the major French seaports. The synergies between the three French and Swiss stakeholders within Alsaceteam offers many possibilities to develop multimodal and logistic services." said Roman Mayer, President of Alsaceteam.

Operations under this new structure began 1 July 2021.

About the public service delegation agreement

Alsaceteam was appointed as the commercial operator of the public concession tender for the management, operation, development and improvement of the ports of Southern Alsace by the Syndicat Mixte pour la Gestion des Ports du Sud Alsace (SMO) on 4 May 2021. Alsaceteam became a shareholder of the SEMOP Euro Rhein Ports when it was created in June 2021. The concession agreement, which is signed for 30 years, enables Alsaceteam to fully play the role of commercial stakeholder within the SEMOP. Alongside the SMO and the Caisse des Dépôts, co-shareholders of the SEMOP, Alsaceteam will actively participate in the implementation of the ambitious 26.5-million-euro investment program planned over five years. This investment program is co-financed by the partner banks of the operation: Caisse d'Épargne Grand Est Europe and Banque Populaire Alsace-Lorraine-Champagne.



About Alsaceteam

Alsaceteam SAS is made up of Swissterminal AG, the Grand Port Maritime de Marseille and the Grand Port Fluvio-Maritime de l'axe Seine. By a decision of its Syndicate Committee, the Syndicat Mixte pour la Gestion des Ports du Sud Alsace (SMO), dated 4 May 2021, Alsaceteam is designated the commercial operator awarded the concession for the management, operation, development and improvement of the ports of Southern Alsace. In addition, it has authorized the President of the SMO to set up the Société d'Economie Mixte à Opération Unique (SEMOP) Euro Rhein Ports and to sign the concession agreement. Alsaceteam SAS is a shareholder in the SEMOP Euro Rhein Ports alongside the Syndicat Mixte Ouvert pour la Gestion des Ports du Sud Alsace and the Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations (CDC).

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About Swissterminal

The Swissterminal Group, headquartered in Frenkendorf, Switzerland, is an integrated logistics service provider. As an independent and neutral terminal operator for overseas container handling activities, Swissterminal operates facilities and depots for combined container transport at five locations throughout Switzerland. In France, Swissterminal offers bulk, breakbulk, container, commercial space rental, project cargo solutions and rail switching activities in the three ports of Ottmarsheim, Huningue-Village-Neuf and Ile Napoléon. In addition, the company offers intermodal transport services throughout Europe and to China. Since January 2020, the international terminal and logistics company DP World holds a 44% stake in Swissterminal.

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<u>About the Grand Port Maritime de Marseille - Port of Marseille-Fos</u>

A major player in international trade and located on two European transport corridors, the Port of Marseille Fos is positioned as the gateway to southern Europe. The synergies between its two basins reinforces Marseille's position as a local port in the Mediterranean for goods and passengers, while Fos is characterized by its dynamism as a global port for industry and logistics dedicated to large intercontinental flows. Now a global hub for data as part of an increasingly smart approach and the European leader in shore power and LNG bunkering for







ships, the Port of Marseille Fos is committed to sustainable economic growth through responsible and innovative industrial development that promotes the circular economy. The dynamic nature of port projects in the two basins reinforces the structural role of the Port of Marseille Fos within the metropolitan area as well as its influence on the world port scene. www.marseille-port.fr

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About the Grand Port Fluvio-Maritime de l'axe Seine

Since 1 June 2021, the ports of Le Havre, Rouen and Paris form the "major Seine Axis river and sea port authority". As the fifth largest north-European port complex, HAROPA PORT has connections to every continent based on an international maritime offering in the very first rank (calling at nearly 650 ports). It serves an extensive hinterland centred on the Seine Valley and the Paris region, together constituting France's biggest consumer catchment area. From Le Havre to Paris, the port complex can point 2.5m sq. m. of logistics warehousing currently in service and over 1m sq. m. of available warehousing space. Today in France, HAROPA PORT provides a transport and logistics system capable of proposing holistic ans low-carbon, end-to-end service offerings. It generates annual maritime and river traffic in excess of 130m tonnes and its activities represent approximately 160,000 jobs. www.haropaport.com

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