

HAROPA PORT expands its rail offering



New rail links and higher service frequency

HAROPA PORT is developing its hinterland and confirming its ambition to contribute to the decarbonization of logistics chains.



A first conventional rail line at Bruyères-sur-Oise

The first two trains transporting aggregates from the Hauts-de-France region ran in March and April last, each comprising 22 hopper wagons and carrying over 1,500 tonnes.

Rail freight operator DB Cargo France has already scheduled around fifteen such runs during the year.

▶▶ Following its recent modernization, the new trimodal platform at Bruyères-sur-Oise now has two 390m tracks ready and able to handle combined transport trains.



A new conventional rail service to Gennevilliers

Start-up of a weekly service carrying cement from the France's Nancy area. Comprising 28 tank wagons, the train arrives every Friday at the Gennevilliers port platform, the biggest multimodal facility in the Greater Paris area.

This new traffic is organized by freight forwarder SATM, a subsidiary of the VICAT Group.



Higher frequencies for existing container services

- A second weekly rotation for the Delta Rail service between Le Havre's multimodal platform and Chalon-sur-Saône since May 2022.
- The launch of two extra rotations for the Naviland Cargo rail service linking Le Havre and Lyon-Vénissieux, which means that the frequency of this service increases to 7 round trips per week.

▶▶ The development of these two links is part of the commercial program to encourage modal transfer implemented by HAROPA PORT in 2021.

The creation of these new service offerings and increased frequencies for existing services reflect the advantages of mass freight modes for both containerized and conventional transport.

'Rail freight represents greater competitiveness with increasing numbers of reliable mass freight transport solutions for carrying goods. From 2025 we want to increase from 4% to 8% the share of containers traveling by rail, thus extending our hinterland beyond the Greater Paris area to the entirety of France and even further into Europe. This is a key component of our strategic plan.'

Antoine Berbain, Deputy CEO in charge of multimodality

▶▶ To find out more, see the whole [HAROPA PORT rail service offering](#)

