

Press release

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YANG MING MARINE TRANSPORT CORP. CHOOSES LE HAVRE FOR THE HEAD OFFICE OF ITS NEW SUBSIDIARY YANG MING (FRANCE) SAS

After four decades during which it has been represented by CLB Liner (NAXCO group), the Taiwanese shipping line and the French group NAXCO have now formed a joint venture, **YANG MING (France) SAS**. This is a major step forward for the ninth largest global shipping line, which has chosen Le Havre to expand its investment in the French market.

Founded in 1972 and based in Chilung (Taiwan), YANG MING MARINE TRANSPORT CORP. (YANG MING) is continuing its efforts to enhance its competitiveness. As a member of the maritime consortium THE Alliance, YANG MING offers a number of weekly services calling at Le Havre and Fos-sur-Mer with destinations in Asia and North America. Thanks to its regional transshipment hubs, YANG MING is able to offer its French customers an extensive network of specific services to a wide range of destinations around the world. The birth of YANG MING (France) on 1 January 2021 is a strong signal of the determination of the world's ninth largest container shipping line to develop in the French market.

"The creation of a French subsidiary strengthens our global integrated office network", explains **Steven Ka**, formerly YANG MING CEO in Australia and now in charge of the new entity. He adds: *"Based in Le Havre, France's leading port for external trade, YANG MING (France) SAS will consolidate its trading capacity and enable greater operational efficiency to be achieved in the French market."*

YANG MING currently operates a fleet of 90 ships with total capacity of 7.03m deadweight tonnage and representing 622,000 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEU). Container ships form the core of the line's services. The YANG MING Group also includes a logistics unit (Yes Logistics Corp. and Jing Ming Transport Co.), container terminals in Taiwan, Belgium, the Netherlands and the United States, and goods handling services (Port of Kaohsiung, Taiwan). YANG MING's full range of services covers more than 70 countries with over 170 service points.

***Laurent Foloppe, HAROPA's Sales & Marketing Director** points out: "Basing the new French subsidiary of the YANG MING shipping line in Le Havre with an integrated office under the group label will consolidate the attractiveness and competitiveness of our port complex. It is also an important sign of the confidence felt in the development of our connections to the world's major ports, including the major hubs in Asia. With this new YANG MING France entity in Le Havre, no less than six shipping lines have now chosen our Ocean City as the location for their main office, not forgetting all the French operational bases maintained here by the majority of shipping lines."*

YANG MING (France) head office is at 156, Rue Victor-Hugo 76600 au Havre –

About HAROPA - Port of Le Havre

Owing to an outstanding location on the West-European sea board, HAROPA - Port of Le Havre, #1 French port for external trade and 5th largest North-European port for container trade, accommodates each year around 6,000 vessels among which the world largest containerships. Accessible 24/7 without any limitation of tide, it handles over 70 million tonnes of cargo every year and 40 % of the French imports of crude oil. Being a member of HAROPA, #1 French port system, together with the ports of Rouen and Paris, Port of Le Havre offers an easy and fast gateway to all continents for all world major shipping lines with around 700 ports of call. As one of the biggest European port systems, HAROPA has about 500 hectares of available land and estate reserves along the Seine corridor. It helps its customers setting up and managing competitive and sustainable logistics systems to serve the N° 1 European consumer basin with 25 million inhabitants.
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