



Expanding the reach: Our service in Africa grows with the acquisition of Deutsche Afrika-Linien (DAL)

Dear Mathieu,

The container shipping industry is never static, and this can translate into an increased service offering to and from various geographical locations. We are glad to share with you that we have signed a framework agreement with German carrier Deutsche Afrika-Linien (DAL), to acquire their container liner business.

Our CEO, Rolf Habben Jansen, views this acquisition as an opportunity to increase our service offer and expand your cargo planning opportunities: "Africa remains an important strategic growth market. Particularly for our service offering from and to South Africa, DAL is a valuable addition, allowing us to offer our customers a better network and additional port coverage in this region. We are very much looking forward to welcoming the DAL colleagues. With their broad experience and market knowledge, they will significantly support us to further grow in Africa."

With origins dating back to the 19th century, DAL is an established shipping company for containerised cargo and operates with four liner services between Europe, South Africa and the Indian Ocean. Its headquarters are located in Hamburg, and it employs more than 150 people, who are mostly located in DAL's own offices in South Africa and Germany. In addition, DAL is represented in 47 countries by third party agents. In terms of capacity, DAL counts with a 6,589 TEU container ship and a container fleet of around 17,800 owned and leased containers, which will be taken over as part of the acquisition.

Note: The completion of the transaction is subject to the approval of the responsible antitrust authorities.

Best regards,

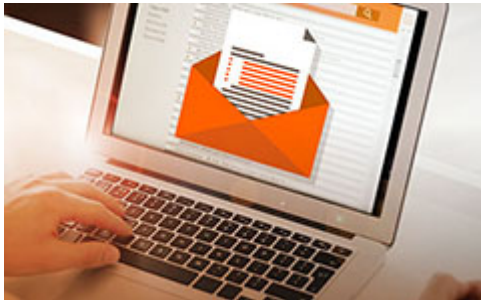


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