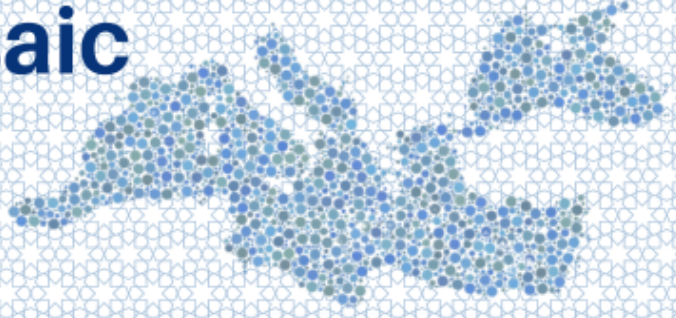


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HOT SEAT

The impact of port cooperation and exchange in international organizations

An Interview with Santiago Garcia-Milà – Deputy General Manager Port of Barcelona and Former IAPH and ESPO President

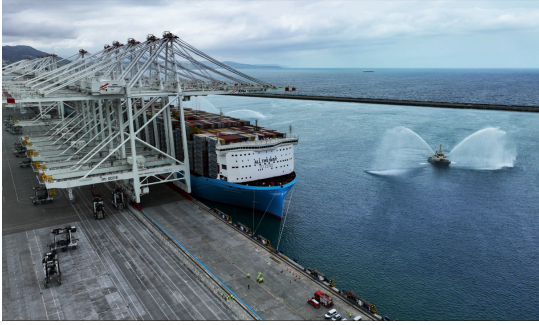


The Mediterranean is and will be one of the main hubs of global trade and maritime transport in the coming decades. Despite the realities on the four shores of the Mediterranean are very different we all share common challenges and threats as we have seen now with the crisis in the Red Sea. Accordingly, having an organization gathering all Mediterranean ports in order to represent them in international fora, exchange experiences, share training needs and jointly promote the region globally is very important.

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Member and Industry News

TangerMED welcomes the first call of the Ane Maersk vessel, symbolizing decarbonization in maritime transport



The Ane Maersk, the first large container vessel powered by methanol and symbolizing the decarbonization of maritime transport, made its inaugural call at Tanger Med port complex on Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

Measuring 350 meters in length, this methanol-powered vessel marks the beginning of a series of eighteen large vessels to be delivered between 2024 and 2025 by Maersk.

This environmentally friendly vessel was greeted at Tanger MED port complex with a water salute, symbolizing the ongoing energy transition at sea.


The 16,592 TEU container ship originated from the port of Colombo and was headed towards Felixstowe, Hamburg, Antwerp, London, Le Havre, and then back to Asia.

Suez Canal Economic Zone: TEUs Handled in Port Said Port through First Quarter of 2024

Overview Score Card

Total Numbers of Handled Containers through the first quarter of 2024 (TEUs)

970,891

7.5% 



Port of Luka Koper Hosts First Ship of the Season



During April we hosted the first cruise ship of 2024, the Spirit of Discovery of the Saga Cruises. At the same time this was her maiden call to Koper.

In 2024 we expect a total of 75 passenger vessels with 125.000 visitors, with last ship of the season scheduled for November.

Hydrogen Trains in the Port of La Spezia



La Spezia, Italy– Mercitalia Logistics and the Port of La Spezia have signed an agreement to use hydrogen as an alternative energy source as a fuel for railway shunting in port as well as in any other possible scop any other possible field of application.

In fact, the agreement was signed by Mario Sommariva, President of the Port System Authority of the Eastern Ligurian Sea, and Livio Ravera, CEO of Mercitalia Logistics, the company on which Mercitalia Shunting & Terminal, the company railway that operates the shunting service in the eastern Ligurian port.

Port of Valencia's Decarbonization Plan: Solar Energy



The solar panels of the Port of Valencia will generate 22% of the energy it consumes, in line with the port's decarbonisation plan

The Príncipe Felipe Quay facility is already operating at full capacity and supplies around

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3.5% of the site's energy. The solar park being built on the VTE silo will contribute 18.5%.

Solar energy is one of the strategic pillars to turn the Port of Valencia into an emission-neutral area. Currently, the energy consumption of Valenciaport is equivalent to that of a city of about 120,000 inhabitants (around 90 gigawatts/year).

Port of Malaga Witnesses Increase in Container Ship Traffic due to Red Sea Crisis



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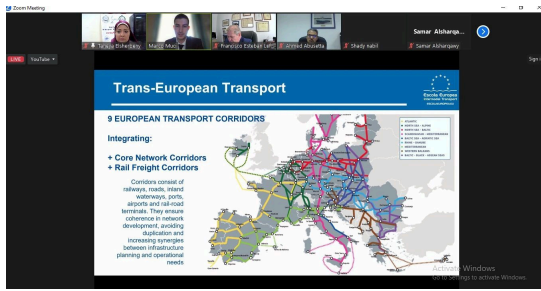
INTERNATIONALIZATION: The Port of Algeciras disembarks in Madrid



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The Era of Logistics Corridors: A Thriving Discussion Held by Port Training Institute



Port Training Institute hosted a successful webinar titled "The Era of Logistics Corridors."

The webinar featured a distinguished panel of speakers including industry leaders and experts: Mr. Fransisco Lefler (PIANC - Belgium), Dr. Ayman Elnahrawy (PTI - Egypt), Mr. Marco Muci (Escola Europea - Italy), Mr. Mohamed Helal (Suez Canal Authority - Egypt), and Mr. Houmed Mohamed Ali (Djibouti Port Community System). This insightful event explored current developments and their impact on global trade.

Discussions focused on the Gulf of Aden, Sustainable corridors, Suez Canal projects, the Red Sea crisis, and the future of logistics corridors.

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The Port of Barcelona awards the construction and operation of the future cruise terminal G

The tendered bid exceeds all the sustainability requirements of the concession and will help improve passenger mobility. The terminal is designed to handle home port traffic.

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MEDports News

MEDPorts Extended Invitation to Connecting Shores event in Marseille on May 15th



MEDPorts has received an invitation extended to all its member to join a full day of discussions focusing on sustainable corridors, ports and maritime routes, for this event hosted by Expertise France, in partnership with the AFD, Region Sud, the Port of Marseille-Fos.

Organized in Marseille, on the sidelines of the General Assembly of the Practitioners' Network, this event is part of the European Union's Global Gateway strategy to contribute to development and economic integration and encourage investments in global infrastructures.

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MEDPorts and Malta FreePort Corporation Invites you to the MEDPorts Forum 2024 in Malta on 31st of May 2024!

MEDPORTS FORUM 2024
31 May 2024 ~ Malta



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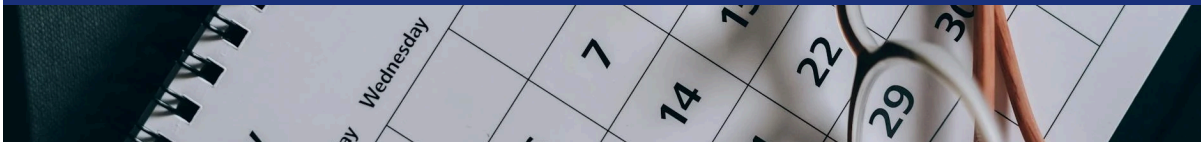


MEDPorts Association together with Malta FreePort Corporation are organizing the MEDPorts Forum 2024 in Malta on 31st of May under the title MEDPorts Resilience in Today's Agitated Waters: Threats and Opportunities.

Visit our website for more information,
<https://medports.org/>

SAVE THE DATE! We hope you join us in Malta!

Anchor for your calendar



15 May
2024
Marseille

**Connecting Shores: Towards
more Sustainable Corridors,
Ports and Maritime Routes**

Jordi Torrent will represent MEDports at this event, hosted by Expertise France, in partnership with the AFD, Region Sud, the Port of Marseille-Fos.

30 May
2024
Malta

MEDports General Assembly

Malta FreePort Corporation will host the annual MEDports Forum and General Assembly 2024.

**31 May
2024**
Malta

MEDports Forum

Malta FreePort Corporation will host the MEDports Forum titled "MEDports Resilience in Today's Agitated Waters: Threats and Opportunities."

**11-13 June
2024**
Rotterdam, the Netherlands

MEDports will be present at TOC Europe

The MEDports Association

Created in 2018, MEDports is the Association representing the interests of Mediterranean ports. Its membership represents about 70% of freight and 90% of passenger traffic in the Mediterranean– Algeciras, Arzew, Barcelona, Bastia, Bejaia, Beirut, Cartagena, Civitavecchia, Durrès, Hellenic Ports Association, Igoumenitsa, La Spezia, Luka Koper, Malta Freeport, Marseille Fos, Moroccan Ports Agency (ANP), Office of the Merchant Navy and Ports (OMMP), Serport Group, Sète, Skikda, Tanger Med, Taranto, Toulon, Valencia and Venice. The Association has also several training institutions from the region as associate member.

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