Dear valued readers,

For this month’s issue, it’s our pleasure to report that European ports and terminals worked stable throughout the summer season. Going into autumn we would expect stability to continue, with a minor warning on equipment availability, as incoming volumes from Asia are still low and Chinese Golden Week (National Holiday) taking place in the first week of October could have an additional impact later in the month.

There have been some severe weather impacts in Europe, but in general ports, terminals and inland transportation in all European regions are working well.

For more detailed information, please find a brief overview for the major hubs on the following pages.

Sincerely,

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PORT CONDITIONS – EUROPE (1/4)

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ANTWERP
- There has been a shortage of pilots throughout summer vacation, but without noticeable operational impact.
- Yard levels remain at a medium level, well manageable.
- Low water on the Rhine river continue, causing capacity restrictions for barge services. Containers have to be diverted to truck/rail.

ROTTERDAM
- No issues reported.
- Yard utilization stands at 55% - 65%.

HAMBURG
- Impacted by some strong winds, last week but those did not lead to any major delays.
- Terminals and yards remain busy, but manageable at 75% - 85%.
PORT CONDITIONS – EUROPE (2/4)

UK & IRELAND
GENERAL
• Inland transportation capacities are sufficiently available.
• No issues to report.

SOUTHAMPTON
• Terminal with good productivity and full availability of equipment and labour.
• Yard level increased to 70% - 75%. Reefer plugs remain at 50% - 55%.
• No operational challenges to report.

LONDON GATEWAY PORT
• Yard level stands at 50-55% utilization. Reefers are at 35-40% utilization.
• No issues to report.

NORDICS & BALTICS
• No issues reported.
Port Conditions – Europe (3/4)

**France**
- Yard levels are reported at low 55% - 60%.
- No issues.

**Italy**
- No changes to the situation at Genoa’s PSA terminal.
- Yard congestion continues and restrictions for empty containers return remain in place.
- Currently no issues reported from other ports/terminals.

**Spain & Portugal**
- No issues reported.

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PORT CONDITIONS – EUROPE (4/4)

KOPER, SLOVENIA
- No issues reported.

GREECE
- No update received, but weather impacts (wildfire/rainfalls) had a major impact on the country.
- Delays still to be expected.

ROMANIA
- No issues reported.