

## **SK NEWS**

For customers and partners of the PORT OF KIEL July 2018 Issue

Dear friends of the port of Kiel,



the summer months mark the peak season for passenger services in the port of Kiel. Holidaymakers are drawn to the ferry ships headed for Scandinavia and the Baltic. At the same time Kiel is the stepping off point for cruises to the Baltic's big cities and along the Norwegian fiords. In addition to all these goings-on, the PORT OF KIEL is working intently to prepare big upcoming investment projects. We are taking a new Shed 7 into service in the Ostuferhafen and we will soon make a start on the restructuring of port access areas there. Parallel to that we want to create the standards for sustainable and eco-friendly development of the port through the introduction of the BLUE PORT concept. Our thanks are due to all those partners who have pledged their active support in enabling us to equip terminal facilities close to the city centre with shore-based power supply connections. Thanks also go to all those Kiel citizens who voted on May 6th to retain the local airport. The way is now open for the development of the Airpark.

I hope you enjoy reading the latest issue of the SK News. Sincerely.

Dr. Dirk Claus Managing Director

#### EXPANDED ACCESS FOR TRUCKS

The PORT OF KIEL intends to completely restructure the access area to the Ostuferhafen and plans to tear down sheds 34 to 36 – part of the warehouse facilities of the former Getreide AG company. This partial demolition will free up space and permit the creation of an expanded truck and car marshalling area. Work will start this summer and is scheduled to be completed by Spring 2019.

Freeing up the new space will mean that previously separated access areas can be joined together, roadways shortened and more space created for truck marshalling.



The complete project represents an investment of well over 7 million Euros – a sum which will cover the demolition of sheds, ground preparation work, road foundation and laying work and a new lighting system on the approximately 2.8 hectare site. Ostuferhafen traffic movement to and from the city ring road will remain unchanged.

#### CLEAN SEA TOURISM

The Federal German state of Schleswig-Holstein, the state capital Kiel and the PORT OF KIEL are joining hands with the Costa Group to promote more sustainability and eco-friendly sea tourism. Schleswig-Holstein Minister-President Daniel Günther, Kiel Lord Mayor Ulf Kämpfer, Costa Group CEO Michael Thamm and Dirk Claus signed a Declaration of Intent to this effect on board the cruise ship "AIDAluna". Dirk Claus said "We will develop Kiel into an ecological showpiece port".



The key aspects of the agreement are the construction of a shore-based power supply plant at the Ostseekai, the utilisation of low emission LNG to fuel the ships of AIDA Cruises during their stay in port and the introduction of modern waste gas cleaning systems. The first LNG bunkering will take place in spring 2019, when "AIDAprima" will be based in Kiel. Minister-President Daniel Günther: "With this Declaration of Intent we have taken a big step towards making cruise tourism in the north both more futureproof and environmentally-friendlier."

### SHED 7 COMPLETED

The new Shed 7 has been completed in the Ostuferhafen. Conceived as a second cassette storage facility for timber products, the 2,800 m<sup>2</sup> warehouse will however also be available as a luggage area during cruise ship operations, if required.



Shed 7 has been built very close to the RoRo ramp at Berth 1 and has direct access from the rear to the Ostuferhafen access area. So the PORT OF KIEL is, on the one hand, expanding its capacity to store more transport units under cover while, on the other, providing short links to fast and almost weather-independent unloading of SCA cargo ships. The new Shed 7 represents an investment of well over two million Euros and will initially operate as a luggage hall for the cruise ships.

#### STENA INSTALLS SCRUBBERS

Stena Line has had modern eco-friendly technology installed on its ferry ship "Stena Scandinavica" which operates on the Kiel - Gothenburg route. The ferry, which is driven by four MAN engines, was fitted with the waste gas reduction systems - so-called scrubbers - at the Remontowa Shipyard in Poland. The systems free waste gas emissions of much of their sulphur and also soot particles by injecting water containing salt into the waste gases. The work done by the scrubbers can often be seen in the white steam coming out of the ship's funnel.



The "Stena Scandinavica" can carry up to 1,300 passengers and boasts more than 4,000 truck lane metres, making it one of the biggest ferries in the Baltic. The "Stena Scandinavica" shares operations on the route to and from western Sweden with "Stena Germanica". The latter is the first big ferry ship in the world to be capable of operation using eco-friendly methanol as fuel.

#### HINTERLAND LINKS

The transport service connections between Kiel and its hinterland are improving markedly. On the one hand, motorway expansion north of Hamburg is making good progress. On the other, measures by German Railways (DB) and Kombiverkehr to make rail freight transport overall more reliable are also proving effective. The punctuality of shuttle trains since the start of the year has increased so much that all ship departures booked in Kiel are now being safely reached. A change of intermodal terminals in Verona has also led to improved quality on the Italy route.



The six-lane expansion of the A7 between the motorway junction at Bordesholm and the boundary between the federal states of Schleswig-Holstein and Hamburg is also progressing fast. Four sections on the 65 kilometre long stretch are already being used by traffic. Three further sections are being built and will be completed by the end of the year. The A7 is being adapted to cope with growing traffic. Another part of that is the expansion of the motorway from four to six as well as from six to eight lanes up to the Elbe Tunnel in Hamburg.

#### BLUE PORT CONCEPT

The PORT OF KIEL and the federal state capital Kiel have together worked out a concept aimed at providing sustainable and environmentally oriented development in the port. BLUE PORT KIEL outlines strategies and initiatives in three spheres of activity aimed at making energy resources more efficient, reducing emissions and transferring hinterland transport to rail.



Dr Ulf Kämpfer, Kiel Lord Mayor said: "In implementing this concept, the port is making a valuable contribution towards environmental and climate protection in the state capital of Kiel. Economic strength and sustainability will go hand in hand." The concept was discussed in spring by the city's leading bodies and approved for implementation by Kiel's governing Council.

# AIRPORT

Kiel's Airport is to remain. In a referendum, more than 70 % of the city's population voted for it to continue operating.



The vote not only secured the future existence of the airport and the 75 jobs it provides but also the necessary planning security for it. In the coming years the airport can now be further developed into the Airpark Kiel. Planned is a commercial estate north and south of Kiel's Boelckesstrasse close to the airport area. An initial 13 hectares are available there which will now be developed step by step.

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