

## **PRESS RELEASE**

# **CONTSHIP'S HANNIBAL AND RAIL HUB MILANO GEAR UP FOR INTERMODAL EUROPE 2017**

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Hannibal and Rail Hub Milano (RHM), Contship Italia Group's multimodal products, will be exhibiting at Intermodal Europe in Amsterdam from 28 to 30 November 2017.

Intermodal Europe is a key event for the global supply chain industry that brings together decision makers from various business sectors. Contship will use this opportunity to explain the latest developments within the Group's business units and illustrate the benefits of its Southern Gateway alternative in combination with the Group's intermodal solutions – a corridor between La Spezia and Milan, which links to various European markets.

Contship recently announced the substantial increase in the frequency of Hannibal's Melzo – Frenkendorf rail service, which is going to be upgraded from three to five round trips per week starting from 11 December 2017. Frenkendorf, close to Basel, caters to one of the most important markets in Switzerland and Contship's terminal in La Spezia has developed into a crucial gateway for cargo in and out of Switzerland.

In addition, Hannibal offers transport solutions for continental cargo and trades between the UK, The Netherlands and Italy by offering direct rail links between its rail hub in Melzo and the port of Rotterdam. The frequency of the latter was further upgraded last October and now features seven round trips to Europe's most important sea port. With this addition, a total of fourteen trains offer one departure per day in each direction.

Furthermore, Rail Hub Milano (RHM), Contship's intermodal logistics platform, recently hosted the inauguration of a new maintenance workshop dedicated to locomotives and rolling stock. The new workshop is managed by Bombardier Transportation and will further improve the speed and quality of assistance to vehicles operating on the railway network.

In response to the Chinese One Belt One Road (OBOR) initiative, RHM is also serving as a crucial gateway for cargo carried by rail between China, Russia and the German hub



of Duisburg to access Italy and Southern Europe. Read more about the OBOR initiative [here](#).

On the digital side of the business, Contship just launched a new feature for its connectivity tool, which has been designed to offer users all key data to facilitate online quotation requests for intermodal transport. This is a major step forward in the digitalization of processes and a faster, better way to address customers' needs.

Intermodal Europe 2017 will also see host various panels and roundtable sessions offering significant insights from leading industry spokespeople and professionals. Daniele Testi, Group Marketing and Communication Director, will deliver a presentation about supply chain risk diversification together with an analysis of the primary motives that push leading European shippers to choose the Southern Gateway for their cargo shipments. The presentation called "Alternative routings in the European North-South corridors for the benefit of oversea trades" will take place on 29 November 2017 at 11.30 am in Theatre 2.

Speaking about Intermodal 2017, Testi noted "Intermodal Europe has become a very significant conference to the Contship Group. It is a great environment to meet with our valued clients and partners and provides us with the opportunity to highlight the latest intermodal solutions our Group offers."

Contship Italia together with Hannibal and RHM invites you to visit stand G52 at Intermodal Europe in Amsterdam to discuss the Group's services over a cup of original Italian espresso. Please email to [infocs@contshipitalia.com](mailto:infocs@contshipitalia.com) for further information and to set up meetings with the team.

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### **Contship Italia Group – *We Bring the Ship to Your Factory***

Contship Italia S.p.A. is the holding company of a group established in 1969. Contship provides services solutions along the global supply chain and strives to be the Italian partner of first choice for maritime container terminals, intermodal & truck transport and other value-added logistic services. Contship Italia Group directly operates in the ports of La Spezia, Gioia Tauro, Cagliari, Ravenna, Salerno, Tangier, and in the multimodal inland port of Milan, Melzo.





Contship's vertically integrated transport solutions are provided through numerous directly owned businesses that extend its geographical scope connecting additional ports in Italy. Contship offers a vast network of rail and road connections between the main Italian ports and the key economic regions and markets of Italy and into South, Central and North Europe.

Contship Italia Group is committed to developing long term sustainable supply chain solutions, championing a more intense use of intermodal transport for the door-to-door transport process.

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