

A Clear Signal

Contargo founds a company for rail transport

Mannheim, 4 Juli 2016 - On 1 July 2016 Contargo goes to the start with a new company: Contargo Rail Services GmbH will consolidate and expand the Group's already-existing rail activities. This means that the trimodal service provider of container hinterland transport has now bundled the activities of each transport mode in an individual company (Road Logistics, Waterway Logistics and Rail Services).

Contargo Rail Services GmbH has its headquarters in Mannheim and will be headed by two rail experts from Contargo: Andreas Mager was with the operator Hupac for several years before coming to Contargo, and Michael Lückenbach previously worked in several different areas with DB Cargo/DB Intermodal and Transfracht.

“Our aim is to set the right course for the rail transport mode within the Contargo Group” says Andreas Mager, Co-Managing Director of Contargo Rail Services GmbH. “We want to establish the new company as a strong operator in the intermodal road/rail sector.”

New train products in sight

The founding of the new company does not affect existing customers; contact partners and telephone numbers remain unchanged. Rather, the bundling of rail know-how is intended to enable the development of new train products in future - for instance, products that also involve terminals not belonging to the Contargo Group, explains Michael Lückenbach, Co-Managing Director of Contargo Rail Services GmbH.

“Because Contargo Rail Services will also act as an operator, Contargo will now be a full service provider for all three transport modes”, says Michael Lückenbach. “And our terminal sites will also benefit from the bundling of procurement and from unified processes and workflows, which will give employees and management additional time for their core activities.”

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About Contargo

With an annual transport volume of 2.3 million TEU, Contargo is one of the largest container logistics networks in Europe. Contargo integrates container transport between the western seaports, the German North Sea ports and the European hinterland. The enterprise has 25 container terminals at its disposal in Germany, France, Switzerland and the Czech Republic and maintains offices at seven additional locations in Germany, the Netherlands and Belgium. Contargo also operates its own barge and rail lines. In 2015 the workforce of 868 employees achieved a turnover of 405 million Euro.

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