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Tanger Med takes part in the 2nd China Africa Investment



Tanger Med took part in the second edition of the China Africa Investment Forum which was held in Marrakech on November 27th and 28th.

The event brought together more than 400 Chinese and African economic decision-makers eager to contribute to strengthening the relations between Africa and China.

Two days of debates, exchanges and meetings in Africa, were devoted to the financial implications of the new Silk Road for African economies and the solutions to focus on in order to capitalise on this new dynamic that aims to make the continent a real industrial platform.

Tanger Med has presented its global connectivity to 174 ports including 37 ports in Africa and a weekly connection to 8 Chinese ports, as well as the important role it plays in global trade and mainly between China and Africa.

Tanger Med also presented the opportunities offered to Chinese investors based in Tanger Med, such as the ZTT group in the industrial platform Tanger Med and Huawei installed in the free zone logistics at Tanger Med port.



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10 YEARS
TANGER MED
 2007-2017

**EVENTS ORGANIZED ON THE OCCASION OF 10 YEARS
 OF TANGER MED PORT COMPLEX ACTIVITIES**

Public Exhibition: Achievement of a Royal Vision



Tanger Med carried organised a public exhibition for the people of Tangier over a period of 40 days in downtown Tangier (Place des Nations).

The aim of this exhibition was to present Tanger Med and its components, but also to understanding of the main achievements carried out for this moroccan flagship project during the last decade initiated by a royal vision.

The exhibition consisted of 14 containers of 20 feet each, painted and decorated on the side surfaces with panels in French and Arabic, and which described the different themes related to the achievements of Tanger Med.

Nearly 13,096 visitors came to this exhibition, consisting of visitors from civil society, tourists and students with a peak of 1,000 visitors on Saturday December 2nd, 2017.

Special issue of stamps



As part of the celebration for the 10th anniversary of Tanger Med port, Tanger Med group and Barid Al Maghrib launched the special issue of two stamps (national and international) on December 21st, 2017.



International press trip



The Tanger Med Special Agency organised an international press trip to share, in particular, the strong international impacts, placing Tanger Med as the leading industrial port platform on the African continent as well as Morocco's integration into the ranks of the twenty first world nations in terms of maritime connectivity.

More than sixty journalists representing Asian (China), North / South American and European media in the general economic press, as well as media specialised in transport and logistics were invited to this event.

A programme consisting of presentations over a period of two days and site visits to Tanger Med port's terminals, logistics warehouses and industrial units were organised.

Middle East press trip



Tanger Med organised a Middle East press trip from 19 to 23th November 2017.

Journalists from Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Lebanon and the United Arab Emirates were invited to the event. The objective was to present to the foreign delegation the Tanger Med, its infrastructures as well as the achievements of this decade.

Presentations as well as site visits were organised for the journalists' delegation.

Diplomatic visit: Delegation of Latin American Ambassadors

A delegation of Latin American ambassadors based in Morocco were received in Tanger Med port on November 18th, 2017. Presentations at the Tanger Med Port Center auditorium were organised for the delegation as well as a tour of the port facilities.

The delegation also visited the industrial zones developed by Tanger Med, where it was able to notice the important development

Open days for students



Open days for students were organised this last quarter of 2017 at Tanger Med port. More than 862 students along with their teachers were received at Tanger Med Port Center's auditorium.

The students from various backgrounds (Law, Economics, Engineering, Logistics) were able to benefit from the presentations made by officials of the Tanger Med port as well as site visits. The purpose was to inform them about Tanger Med port's achievements on a national and international level.

PORTS : TANGER MED PORT AUTHORITY

Visit by Gabon's Vice President at Tanger Med Port



As part of his official visit to Morocco, Vice President of Gabon Pierre-Claver Maganga Moussavou, visited the port on Monday, November 13th, 2017 to appreciate the development model adopted for the large deepwater port in Africa.

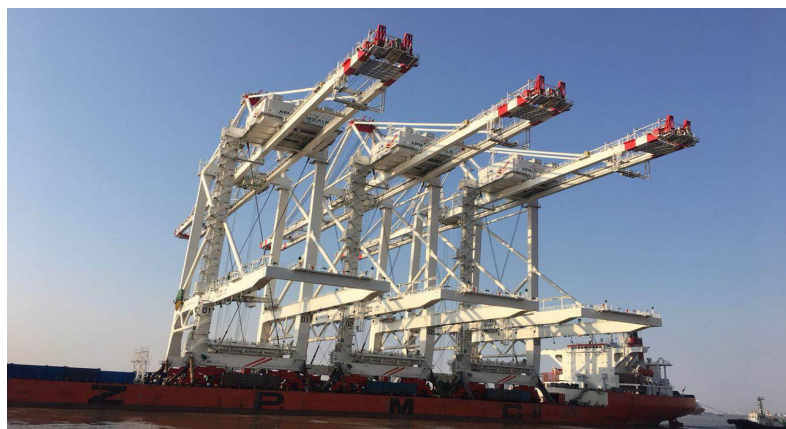
Launch of the Tanger Med Freight Exchange



Tanger Med launched the first Freight Exchange in partnership with CGEM, a platform dedicated to professionals and customers can meet. The purpose of this Exchange is to simplify and optimise transactions in the freight market. This is the first Freight Exchange in Morocco that allows searching for orders for carriers on the one hand, and to quickly find a transport for customers on the other. This will reduce the number of empty returns and increase the profitability of travels for both carriers and their customers.

From the beginning, the platform will be able to handle the equivalent of 30,000 operations per day, enough to meet the needs of the national and international transport

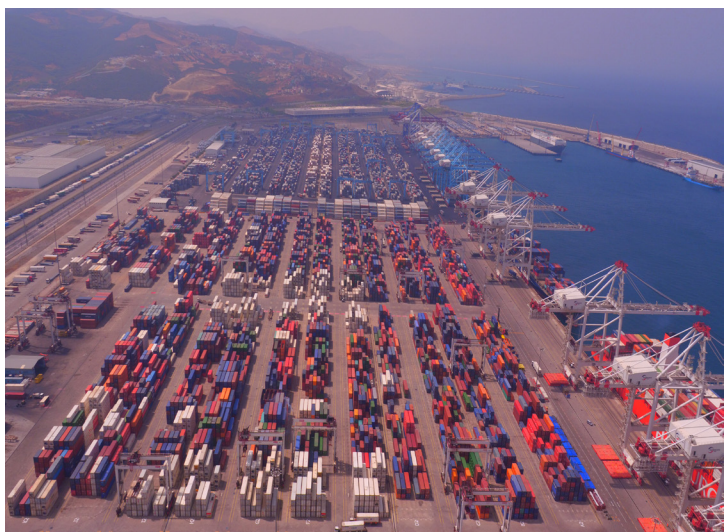
Production of the first cranes of Tanger Med port 2



Chinese heavy-lift carrier ZHEN HUA 27 recently left Shanghai with the first set of giant gantry cranes for the new APM Terminals Tangier container terminal at Tanger Med 2. The three cranes will travel 12,600 nautical miles through the Cape of Good Hope to reach Tanger Med 2 in February.

APM Terminals Tangier ordered the ZPMC cranes in October 2016 to equip its second container terminal at the Tanger Med port. Scheduled to open in 2019, the new container terminal will eventually offer a nominal capacity of 5TEUs

A new performance record at Tanger Med Port 1



During the month of October 2017, the port of Tanger Med 1 generated a container traffic of 300,370 TEU, a peak performance recorded by the port since it was put into service in July 2007. This peak in traffic has been achieved thanks to the partnership between the Tanger Med group, its partners and container terminal operators such as APM Terminals Tangier and EUROGATE, and thanks to the excellent efficiency reached through the high volume of container handling, which is the best today in the Mediterranean region, and to the know-how of a well-qualified and experienced 100% Moroccan personnel.

The number of calls and the type of container ships that called at Tanger Med port during this year also contributed to the achievement of such traffic levels. At the end of October, the Tanger Med port welcomed a total of 2,057 container ships stopovers, including 359 stopovers carried out by vessels with more than 300 LOAs and reaching 400 LOAs.

Inauguration of DECATHLON TANGER MED Logistics Platform's last phase



TANGER MED and DECATHLON celebrated together the inauguration of the last segment of the DECATHLON TANGER MED Logistics Platform, the largest logistics centre in Morocco dedicated to a single user.

The new DECATHLON TANGER MED logistics hub spreads over a covered area of 20,000 m² and a floor area of 25,000 m² where TMSA has invested more than 100 MDH for the construction of the building.

This grouping and distribution logistics hub supplies the 11 DECATHLON stores in Morocco and delivers 10 countries from Tanger Med. The number of items delivered from this

warehouse was 11 million in 2017 and 15,000 product references from 17 countries are stored. DECATHLON currently employs 1000 people in Morocco directly, 2,500 people in production from subcontractors and 150 from its logistics service providers, all delivered from this hub.

DECATHLON has chosen the MEDHUB Logistics Free Zone of Tanger Med Port for the creation of its Logistics Centre in Africa, because of the geostrategic position of Tanger Med, its connectivity with 174 ports in the world, the administrative facilitation and the short port transit times.

The Tanger Med choice was made after intense competition between various ports in the Mediterranean region and thus confirms the competitiveness of the MEDHUB logistics offer.

This Tanger Med project is part of DECATHLON Group's strategy to expand its presence in Africa by opening new stores in Morocco and other African countries.

The installation of this prestigious brand in the Logistics Free Zone of Tanger Med Port strengthens the role of Tanger Med Global Logistics hub for operators willing to optimise their storage and distribution activities towards Europe, the Mediterranean, West Africa and America.

Tanger Logistics Days



Organised by Tanger Med, the 3rd edition of Tanger Logistics Days was held on October 5th, 2017 in Tanger Med Port Center, under the theme: «The Supply Chain in the Digital Age».

This international event brought together more than 400 operators from the logistics community and from all sectors of industry, commerce, distribution and services, who came to grasp the new trends and challenges of digital transformation in the world and in Morocco, analyse how to anticipate and prepare for them.

The purpose of the event is to show that the company of tomorrow will not only be physical but also digital.

An information day dedicated to agrifood companies in the Souss-Massa-Daraa region



Tanger Med organised, on November 27 in Agadir, an information day dedicated to agribusiness companies in the Souss-Massa-Draâ region, under the theme: «Tanger Med, a platform serving the Moroccan exports». The purpose of this meeting is to present the majors aspects of Tanger Med's Freight offer, in particular the new platform dedicated to the management of ro-ro traffic intended for export (Export Access), the launch of Tanger Med's Freight Exchange and the dematerialisation of port procedures.

This day was also marked by a presentation of EACCE (Établissement Autonome de Contrôle et de Coordination des Exportations) on support measures for the promotion of Moroccan exports. In addition, presentations were made by the port authorities of Algeciras and Motril who emphasized the importance of their geographical location and infrastructure dedicated to exporters as well as their strategic vision in relation to the development of traffic between the two continents, Africa and Europe.

Import of 10 buses CTM



10 new generation buses of the «Man Neoplan Tourliner» brand were unloaded at the Tanger Med port from the MAN TRUCK AND BUS AG plant in Germany.

As part of CTM's fleet renewal: Compagnie de Transport in Morocco to satisfy its customers in Morocco and abroad to more than 130 destinations and provide them with spacious, modern buses and comfortable.

INDUSTRIES : TANGER MED ZONES

Tanger Med Zones, 1st free zone in Africa for the 3rd consecutive year (Financial Times)



The FDI Intelligence (Financial Times group) recently released the world's top Global Free Zones Ranking for the year 2017 in six major geographical areas.

This annual ranking compares around 70 free zones in the

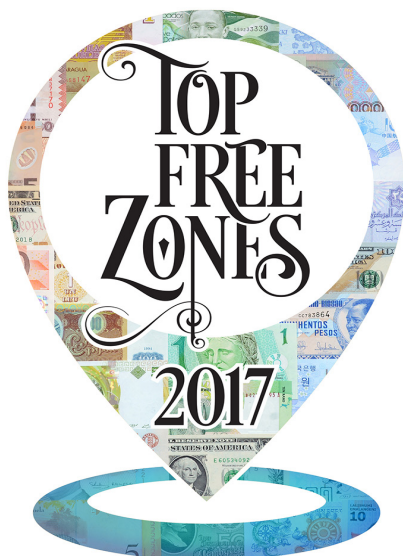
world according to international benchmarks and measures the adequacy of their competitiveness against the expectations of global investors.

Tanger Med Zones (TMZ) is the first free zone on the African continent («Overall Winner for Africa Region»). At the African level, TMZ is ahead of Ladoi Free Zone in Nigeria.

The report's authors point out that «investors are attracted to TMZ for its access to sea routes across the Strait, just 14 kilometres from Europe.

The report adds that «last year, the zone extended its technological services to investors, with tools such as the Tanger Med Zones virtual tour and a mobile application «Gate access» that streamlines the flow of goods in and out of the zone. The zone is also active in terms of promotion, through its presence at international fairs and exhibitions, presenting its advantages to potential investors.

Tanger Med Zones 1st free zone in Africa according to SITE Selection Magazine



In its first ranking of Top Free Zones for 2017, the SITE SELECTION MAGAZINE (Conway) recognizing the top two zones per world region,

Tanger Med industrial platform is voted first free zone in Africa «Winner - Africa» alongside free zones in other geographical areas:

- Atlanta, GA (US) for North America
- Alajuela (Colombia) for LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN
- Busan-Jinhae (S. KOREA) for Asia PACIFIC
- Klaipeda (Lithuania) for Europe
- DMCC (United Arab Emirates) for the Middle East

The main objective of this prestigious magazine is to stimulate foreign investment targeting high-level readers such as presidents, directors and executives of the largest companies worldwide.

Siemens Gamesa exports its 1st «Made in Morocco» wind blade

The Siemens Gamesa group exports its first «Made in Morocco» wind turbine from the port of Tanger Med. The Siemens Gamesa plant, the first in Africa and the Middle East, was inaugurated last October.

This operation is unprecedented in Morocco, this monumental piece of work, which measures 63 metres in length and weighs 17 tonnes, left Tanger Automotive City's free zone to go to Tanger

Med port before being shipped to its final destination. It required the handling of very heavy components and significant logistics. The challenge of routing the blade has thus required partnerships with TMSA, the local authorities and the national motorway company of Morocco (ADM), with which Siemens Gamesa recently signed an agreement for the use of its motorway infrastructure between Tanger Automotive City and Tanger Med port.



Italian Magneti Marelli sets up its unit in Tanger Automotive City



The Italian company will set up a production plant for automotive components in Tanger Automotive City free zone for an investment of 37 million euros.

Established over an area of 34,000 m², the plant is expected to deliver its first shock absorber parts starting in 2019.

This project is expected to create 500 jobs by 2025.

The CEO of the Italian company, Pietro Gorlier, said that the installation of this new plant in Morocco aimed to «support industrial establishments and accelerate business growth for a number of important automotive customers in the North Africa region ». To date, Magneti Marelli has 86 production units and 12 R & D centres in 19 countries. Also, the Italian group is a subsidiary of the automotive group Fiat Chrysler Automobiles (FCA).

Chinese group ZTT installs its unit in Tanger Automotive City



China's ZTT Group will set up a power cable and optical fibre manufacturing plant in Tanger Automotive City for an investment of 20 million euros over an area of 39,000 m².

With decades of experience and a strong positioning in high technology segments, ZTT is active in the development, design, production, supply and installation of wide ranges of applications in telecom, energy, renewable energies and oil and gas.

Varroc Lighting Systems sets up at Tanger Automotive City



Varroc Lighting Systems is developing its presence by establishing a manufacturing plant for automotive lighting parts and equipment in Tanger automotive city. The project is the company's latest step in strengthening its global capabilities as the leading developer and manufacturer of next-generation external lighting systems for the automotive industry with key connections to southern Europe through Tanger Med port.

The plant will be built over an area of 24,000 m² and will create 500 jobs. Also, it is recalled that, in 2017, Varroc Lighting Systems has made it a priority to expand its global presence in competitive locations. Its expansion in Morocco comes after the recent announcement of the opening of a new product development centre in Krakow, Poland, as well as a new plant in Sorocaba, Brazil.

Everis celebrates 2 years of activity in TetouanShore



The multinational consultancy firm Everis an NTT Data Company, based in Tetouan since January 2016 and operating in the field of ITO-Offshoring, now has a team of more than 100 people.

Located in Tetouan Shore, Everis works for development, maintenance and testing projects for major international banks and public institutions in Spain, Belgium and the Netherlands.

Everis, which is the first IT employer in the Tanger-Tetouan-Al Hoceima region (TTAH) – has a team of young IT graduates – engineers and in professional training, who are mostly under permanent contracts, 45% of whom are women.

The Tetouan centre positions itself as a centre of excellence in technologies such as Java, COBOL, SAPNet, Testing or even previously undeveloped areas in Morocco such as RPA - Robotic Process Automation.

SERVICES : TANGER MED ENGINEERING

Training of Abidjan's port pilots at Tanger Med's Marine Simulator



Tanger Med Engineering and the pilot committee of Tanger Med organised a 4-day training from 27 to 30 November for an Abidjan port delegation.

This is the second Abidjan delegation, composed of four pilots and the port commander, which has come to the Tanger Med Marine Simulator in order to test some of the maneuvers that take into account the changes in the pilot environment at the port of Abidjan.

Technical assistance in two projects at the port of Agadir

Following tenders launched by the National Ports Agency for the improvement of various maritime works in the port of Agadir, TME has been designated as adjudicator of the mission aiming to provide technical assistance to the Client of the two following projects:

- 1- Improvement of Agadir port's pier.
- 2- Rehabilitation of the fishing triangle's median of ANP Agadir.

SOCIAL : FONDATION TANGER MED

Signature of an agreement related to the organisation of Tanger Metropole's football



The Tanger Med Foundation has signed a partnership agreement with the Ministry of Youth and Sports, the Tangier-Asilah province and the APDN related to the organisation of the «Tanger Metropole» football tournament.

Back to school season for the province of Fahs Anjra



In March 2017 and in partnership with the APDN, the Provincial Directorate of National Education and the Provincial Council of Fahs Anjra; the Tanger Med Foundation signed the agreement for the upgrade of 120 primary schools (10,450 beneficiary students)

The development and equipment works in all the schools have now been completed thus providing good conditions for the start of the school year, which was successful.

Students were able to discover their schools which comply with the standards- allowing them to study in suitable conditions.

Library- cafés

Tanger Med Foundation supports local associations working on socio-cultural projects aimed at creating cultural and artistic dynamics for the benefit of young people.

The Foundation has signed a partnership agreement with the Lfkih Daoud association in order to set up the «Library - Cafés» project, consisting of the development and equipment of reading spaces in cafés. The project includes 5 library-café in the rural municipalities of Ksar Sghir, Melloussa, Khmissa Anjra and Belyounech.

