

Transshipment & Feeder - Trades, Operators, Ships

This new report builds on the previous 2004 publication completed with recent in-depth analyses of all aspects of the worldwide transshipment and feeder markets. The reader is given insight into a huge port activity and maritime industry that lubricate the modern container liner trades and without which globalisation could not reach the out-of-the-way places of this world. Contrary to the general perception, the common feedership is still not much larger than 700 TEU on average - those deployed by dedicated operators are just under 1,200 TEU. Together, they lift a huge volume, which is out of the official statistics, but can be estimated at well over 35 million TEU worldwide in 2006.

The publication contains five main sections:

TRANSHIPMENT

Setting report's framework: definitions; mainline services concepts; hub-and-spoke; relay and interlining; hub port selection criteria; dominant transshipment ports; hubs versus gateways

FEEDERING

Looking at the industry from a more strategic and general view: definitions; types of feeder operators; size, speed, design of feeder ships; industry consolidation; mainline developments affecting feeder; scaling-up; hub port issues; organisation of the feeder move; new hub-and-spoke projects; conclusions

TRADES

Five chapters on the main feeder markets (Europe, Mediterranean, all Asia, Latin America, Others) and their catchment regions; who-hubs-where; connections from the main ports; 5-year hub and regional port statistics; transshipment-related port projects

OPERATORS

Extensive biographies on more than 20 common feeder carriers (corporate background, recent developments, services, fleet details split for owned and chartered ships); short profiles of another 15 (niche) operators; ranking overview including average feedership size by operator; carryings; The world's Top 5 Feeder Operators; etc.

SHIPS

Feeder ship design and requirements; pictures and plans of representative vessels in various size categories; new concepts and projects; overview of non-operating owners

An Appendix with a variety of data completes Transshipment & Feeder - Trades, Operators, Ships - researched, analysed and compiled during the period April-July 2007

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