

Press Release



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Change to the management team at HGK Dry Shipping

Duisburg – Joachim Holstein stepped down from the management board at HGK Dry Shipping GmbH with effect from 9 February 2022. After he had played a crucial role in transferring and integrating the freight chartering activities of HTAG within HGK Dry Shipping GmbH since the beginning of 2021, a process that has now been completed, he would now like to devote his energy to new challenges.

“Joachim Holstein has developed HTAG into an important company in the market for inland waterway shipping, thanks to his expertise and his management skills. He set the strategic course for integrating the HTAG freight chartering activities within the Dry Shipping business of the affiliated company, HGK Shipping, and therefore created the conditions for strong dry shipping operations that are geared towards the future. We would like to thank Joachim Holstein for his excellent contribution and we wish him all the very best for the future,” said Steffen Bauer, CEO of HGK Shipping.

Overall, Joachim Holstein spent 30 years working for HTAG and he was responsible for its business activities as a member of the management board for ten years.

HGK Dry Shipping GmbH will continue to be managed by the current directors, Andreas Lemme and Steffen Bauer.

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About the HGK Group:

Häfen und Güterverkehr Köln AG (HGK) is the logistics company within the City of Cologne's public utilities group. Formerly just a port operator, HGK has developed into a group that provides integrated transport and logistics services with operations across Europe. Divided into its five divisions, Logistics & Intermodal, Shipping, Rail Operations, Infrastructure & Maintenance and Real Estate, the HGK Group operates the largest inland waterway port network in Germany through its subsidiaries and holding companies, one of the largest private railway companies for transporting cargo, specialist logistics firms and terminals as well as its own railway network and workshops for railway goods traffic. HGK Shipping GmbH is the largest inland waterway shipping company in Europe.

About HGK Shipping:

HGK Shipping is part of Häfen und Güterverkehr Köln AG. Its fleet comprises about 300 vessels, including owner-operated ships. The spectrum of goods transported ranges from liquid chemical products and liquefied gases to dry goods and even break bulk cargo.