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cargo-partner extends collaboration with HHLA Pure for CO₂-neutral transport within Europe

The international transport and logistics provider has reaffirmed its dedication to sustainability by extending its partnership with the HHLA Pure program for another year across its branches in the Czech Republic, Slovakia, and Hungary.

Launched in 2023, the collaboration between cargo-partner and the HHLA Pure program has aimed to foster climate-neutral transport chains from European ports into the hinterland. HHLA Pure, an initiative by Hamburger Hafen und Logistik AG (HHLA) and METRANS, combines the strengths of Hamburg as Europe's largest rail port with METRANS' eco-friendly rail transport solutions, utilizing energy-efficient electric trains and lightweight flat wagons.

The program encompasses a range of eco-friendly measures, including the use of modern hybrid and electric locomotives, widely electrified processes at HHLA container terminals, and CO₂-optimized trains and wagons operated by METRANS. Additionally, any unavoidable CO₂ emissions are offset through certified development projects to the highest international standard (Gold).

"At cargo-partner, we are committed to minimizing our carbon footprint and contributing to environmental sustainability," said Luca Ferrara, CEO of cargo-partner. "Our continued collaboration with the HHLA Pure program reflects our ongoing efforts to offer innovative, eco-friendly solutions to our customers while making a positive impact on the environment."

Czech Republic and Slovakia

In the Czech Republic and Slovakia, cargo-partner's collaboration with METRANS in 2023 has facilitated climate-neutral transports on the routes to and from Hamburg, Bremerhaven, and Koper. The company's Czech branch handled transports amounting to 3,650 TEUs through the HHLA Pure program in the past year, while cargo-partner in Slovakia successfully transported 3,181 TEUs in a climate-neutral manner.

Prior to joining HHLA Pure, the Slovakian branch had already begun to implement environment-friendly technologies at its warehouse in Dunajská Streda since 2012, including the use of electric forklifts instead of trucks to transport containers from the METRANS terminal to their logistics center in Dunajská Streda. With the extension of their cooperation with HHLA Pure for another year, cargo-partner's branches in the Czech Republic and Slovakia have now expanded the program's reach to additional ports, including Gdańsk, Wilhelmshaven, Rotterdam, Trieste and Rijeka.

Hungary

cargo-partner Hungary also joined the HHLA Pure program in the first quarter of 2023, enabling carbon-free transshipment and transport of sea freight containers to and from Hamburg, Bremerhaven, Koper, Duisburg, Indija (Serbia), Gdańsk, Wilhelmshaven, Rotterdam, Trieste and Rijeka. The first electric truck arrived at cargo partner's warehouse in Hungary in May 2023, and the company continues to offer deliveries by electric vehicles as an additional service.

In the past year, cargo-partner Hungary handled a total of 6,054 TEUs from and to Budapest through the environment-friendly program. The extension of the cooperation with HHLA Pure in Hungary reaffirms cargo-partner's dedication to sustainable logistics solutions.

Many cargo-partner offices in other countries have also launched a range of initiatives to minimize negative environmental impacts: from the implementation of paperless offices to the promotion of sustainable aviation fuel, the installation of photovoltaic systems at several warehouses, or the logistics provider's iconic warehouse near Vienna airport, which is built entirely of wood.

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About cargo-partner

cargo-partner is a privately owned full-range info-logistics provider offering a comprehensive portfolio of air, sea, land transport and warehousing solutions. With 40 years of expertise in information technology and supply chain optimization, the company designs tailor-made services for a wide range of industries to create competitive benefits for its customers all around the world. Founded in 1983, cargo-partner generated a turnover of over 2.06 billion euro in 2022 and currently employs more than 4,000 people worldwide. Since January 2024, cargo-partner has been a member of the Nippon Express Group.

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