



CONTAINER TERMINAL AUTOMATION CONFERENCE **EUROPE**

1 - 2 APRIL 2025

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TUESDAY 1ST APRIL
DAY ONE AT THE CONTAINER TERMINAL AUTOMATION CONFERENCE EUROPE 2025

8:00AM - 8:45AM
REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING

8:45AM - 8:50AM
CHAIRPERSON INTRODUCTION
WELCOME TO DAY ONE OF CTAC 2025

Join our conference chairman, Yvo Saanen of Portwise, as he introduces our two days of content and provides a guide to the conference networking events.

SPEAKER
YVO SAANEN, MANAGING DIRECTOR, PORTWISE

8:50AM - 9:00AM
OPENING REMARKS
WELCOME TO CTAC EU 2025 FROM OUR HOST PORT

President of Port Authority of Valencia, Mar Chao, provides a few welcoming words as host port of CTAC 2025.

SPEAKER
MAR CHAO, PRESIDENT, PORT AUTHORITY OF VALENCIA

9:00AM - 9:45AM
PRESENTATION, ROUNDTABLE AND Q&A
NEXTPORT PRODUCT LAUNCH - DIGITAL TWIN FOR CONTAINER TERMINALS

PRESENTERS
ANDY BARRONS, CHIEF COMMERCIAL OFFICER, NEXTPORT
CHRISTIAN BLAUERT, GLOBAL DIRECTOR PORT & TERMINAL DEVELOPMENT, MOFFATT & NICHOL
DR. OSCAR PERNIA, CO-FOUNDER, NEXTPORT

TO BE JOINED ON A ROUNDTABLE BY
FRANCISCO BLANQUER, R&D SENIOR MANAGER, CMA-CGM
HEIN CHETCUTI, CTO, MALTA FREEPORT TERMINALS
JOHN ALVAREZ, IT DIRECTOR, FENIX MARINE SERVICES

9:45AM - 10:30AM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

RESILIENT TERMINAL OPERATIONS: CONGESTION, FLEXIBILITY AND READINESS

The successful container terminal must be able to maintain productivity, mitigate disruption and safeguard economic stability in the face of fast changing and unpredictable conditions if they are to remain business competitive.

This session will present the best practices, tools and technologies that enable terminals in their pursuit of resilient and flexible operations, ensuring long-term competitiveness, reliability and protection from the unprecedented.

SPEAKERS

FELIX KASISKE, MANAGING DIRECTOR, RPX OPTIMIZATION

PETER SZELEI, SENIOR DIRECTOR BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, FERNRIDE

RAFAEL VELÁSQUEZ, DIRECTOR OPTIMIZATION AND INTEGRATION, INFORM

HEIN CHETCUTI, CTO, MALTA FREEPORT TERMINALS

MARCEL LINDEMANN, CO-FOUNDER & MANAGING DIRECTOR, PASSIFY

10:30AM - 11:00AM

NETWORKING AND COFFEE BREAK

11:00AM - 11:30AM

KEYNOTE ADDRESS AND Q&A

REALTIME BUSINESS SOLUTIONS: TRANSFORMING TERMINAL OPERATIONS WITH A SUPER INTELLIGENT DIGITAL TWIN

Superintelligent knowledge in ports and terminals transforms raw data into actionable insights through AI, machine learning, and predictive analytics, enabling automation, optimized resource allocation, and proactive problem-solving. In this keynote, RBS will discuss how integrating these technologies into a Terminal Operating System (TOS), ports can enhance efficiency, reduce costs, improve safety, and ensure long-term operational sustainability in an increasingly complex global trade environment.

SPEAKER

HARRISON NGUYEN, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER, REALTIME BUSINESS SOLUTIONS

NORBERT KLETTNER, VICE PRESIDENT, TIC 4.0

11:30AM - 11:45AM

KEYNOTE AND Q&A

ACHIEVING HIGH-PERFORMANCE AND EFFICIENT OPERATION IN AUTOMATED CONTAINER TERMINALS

SPEAKERS

KAJ DE GROOT, HEAD OF AUTOMATION PROJECTS, PORTWISE

11:45AM - 12:45PM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

AUTOMATION FOR THE REST OF US

Though the few fully automated terminals grab the headlines, for most container terminals, the most realistic approach to automation is 'automation for the rest of us' or selective automation, automating specific processes and rolling out targeted technologies and applications. This session will support the terminals who do not have the resources to deploy full automation, to get on the journey and start to eliminate inefficiencies and continuously improve their productivity.

SPEAKERS

YVO SAANEN, MANAGING DIRECTOR, PORTWISE

REMY DIEBES, PRESIDENT & CEO, REMPRESX

SHALEV COHEN, HEAD OF SALES, ABB PORTS - OCR

MARTIN TREMBLAY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, MONTREAL GATEWAY TERMINALS

DIMAS ÁVILA LÓPEZ, ENGINEERING MANAGER, TMEIC

12:45PM - 13:45PM

LUNCH BREAK AND NETWORKING SPONSORED BY THREE GROUP SOLUTIONS

13:45PM - 14:00PM

KEYNOTE AND Q&A

ACCELERATING INNOVATION WHILE MAINTAINING SERVICE EXCELLENCE

Carlos will share smart strategies that terminal operators can use to accelerate digital transformation while maintaining service and operational excellence. As part of the conversation, he will discuss how the optimization of container handling equipment, such as RTGs and Terminal Trucks, is a strategic starting point to apply innovation using a phased approach. Attendees will gain a better understanding of the capacity, environmental, and cost reduction benefits their terminal can experience by adopting next-generation optimization.

SPEAKER

CARLOS BARBERA, VICE PRESIDENT OF PRODUCT MANAGEMENT, KALERIS

14:00PM - 14:15PM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

HAVE YOU EVER IMPLEMENTED AN OUT OF THE BOX SOLUTION?

Want a smooth automation journey? Avoid costly mistakes and uncover the real secrets to successful implementation!

SPEAKER

BAS MÖTTER, DIRECTOR, SOLID PORT SOLUTIONS

14:15PM - 14:45PM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

SMARTPHONE-POWERED TRUCK HANDLING: REAL-WORLD PATHWAYS FROM ANALOGUE TO AUTONOMOUS TERMINALS

We are EUROGATE: A leading container terminal operator in Europe. We are known for reliable and professional container handling services and valued for services that are essential for smooth terminal operations.

We operate 12 container terminals at nine locations in five countries in North- and South Europe as well as North Africa.

In addition to the seaport container handling, EUROGATE's business portfolio also includes intermodal transport, seaworthy packaging, container maintenance and cleaning, port technology, port power supply services, and wind energy-related port services. Looking to the future, EUROGATE will focus on port automation and sustainability.

SPEAKER

FELIX PAUL CZERNY, FOUNDER & CEO, CONROO

JANNIS GRANTZ, HEAD OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, EUROGATE

14:45PM - 15:30PM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

THE SHIFT TO AUTOMATED AND ELECTRIC VEHICLES FOR HORIZONTAL TRANSPORT

SPEAKERS

ROBIN AUDENAERDT, MANAGING DIRECTOR, AUDENAERDT PROJECT MANAGEMENT

DAAN NAP, HEAD OF PORT SEGMENT, ROCSYS

GIORGIO CORBELLINI, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, EMBOTECH

SANDER BREEDERVELD, HEAD OF BUSINESS INTEGRATION, APM TERMINALS MVII-E

REMY DE BRUIJN, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER, TERBERG SPECIAL VEHICLES

15:30PM - 16.00PM

NETWORKING AND COFFEE BREAK

16:00PM - 16.15PM

KEYNOTE ADDRESS AND Q&A

THE STORY OF HOW BOXBAY SIMPLIFIES THE YARD PROCESS

Showcasing the advantages of the BOXBAY high-bay storage system for port operations, the foremost benefits are its substantial storage capacity and throughput.

Nevertheless, the true innovation for port operations lies in the system's capability for individual container access. In his presentation, Jan will illustrate the impact of this individual access on port operations.

SPEAKER

JAN GUMMERSBACH, PROJECT DIRECTOR GLOBAL, BOXBAY

16.15PM - 16.30PM

KEYNOTE ADDRESS AND Q&A

INTELLIGENT SOLUTION FOR INTEGRATION IN AUTOMATED TERMINALS

Equipment Logistics systems (ELS) are deployed on site and are automation layers between TOS and yard/block management systems.

Join us for this presentation to discover how ELS monitors and visualise so optimisations can be implemented.

SPEAKER

LUIS CABRITA, GLOBAL ACCOUNT MANAGER, SIEMENS

16:30PM - 16:45PM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

EMPOWERING TERMINAL OPERATION WITH SMART, SUSTAINABLE RUGGED SOLUTIONS IN A 5G NETWORK

SPEAKER

LUCA SANTONICO, KEY ACCOUNT MANAGER, PANASONIC TOUGHBOOK

16:45PM - 17:30PM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

UTILISING THE NEXT GENERATION OF AUTOMATED AND ELECTRIFIED CONTAINER HANDLING EQUIPMENT

Our final session of the day presents the latest and greatest in container handling equipment hitting terminals in 2025, the pinnacle in automation, efficiency, sustainability and safety. Join us for showcases from Kalmar and TMEIC before we finish with a discussion on how the cutting edge in CHE and automation systems come together to do the heavy lifting for the world's most efficient ports.

SPEAKERS

KAJ DE GROOT, HEAD OF AUTOMATION PROJECTS, PORTWISE

TIMO ALHO, DIRECTOR, PRODUCT MANAGEMENT, HORIZONTAL TRANSPORTATION, KALMAR
DIEGO NAVARRO, SALES MANAGER, TMEIC

17:30PM - 17:35PM

CONFERENCE CLOSE

DAY ONE CLOSING REMARKS

SPEAKER

YVO SAANEN, MANAGING DIRECTOR, PORTWISE

19:30PM

NETWORKING DINNER

NETWORKING DINNER SPONSORED BY PRODEVELOP

Join us for our complimentary networking dinner at the conference venue, sponsored by Prodevelop.

WEDNESDAY 2ND APRIL

DAY TWO AT THE CONTAINER TERMINAL AUTOMATION CONFERENCE EUROPE 2025

8:00AM - 9:00AM

REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING

8:45AM - 9:00AM

CHAIRPERSON INTRODUCTION

WELCOME TO DAY TWO OF CTAC 2025

SPEAKER

YVO SAAANEN, MANAGING DIRECTOR, PORTWISE

9:00AM - 9:30AM

OPENING KEYNOTE AND Q&A

TO MOVE OR TO MISS OUT: THAT'S THE AI QUESTION

Container terminals are at a critical decision point: act now and harness the power of AI to enhance efficiency, or choose to wait for more definitive conditions, potentially missing out on valuable improvements. While it's natural to approach new technologies with caution, hesitation can lead to lost opportunities. AI is already delivering real benefits—reducing equipment travel distances, minimizing unnecessary container handlings, enhancing equipment productivity, and increasing overall throughput. Success will favor those who turn early adoption into everyday advantage. This keynote explores the latest AI trends, their significance for terminal operations, typical AI projects, and where these advancements could take us next.

SPEAKER

RAFAEL VELÁSQUEZ, DIRECTOR OPTIMIZATION AND INTEGRATION, INFORM

9:30AM - 10:00AM

KEYNOTE AND Q&A

PRIVATE 5G AND THE AUTOMATION OF LONDON GATEWAY

Jason Plent Senior Partner in the 5G team EMEA will be announcing the new Verizon contract for delivering private 5G for the Thames Freeport regeneration zone, and looking at the reasons why, scale and reach of the AI enterprise as the new technology provides new competitive advantage.

SPEAKER

JASON PLENT, GLOBAL SENIOR PARTNER - 5G ACCELERATION, VERIZON BUSINESS

10:00AM - 10:15AM

KEYNOTE AND Q&A

THE OBSERVABILITY ADVANTAGE: PREDICT, OPTIMIZE, AND TRANSFORM TERMINAL OPERATIONS

The future of container terminal operations is shaped by two major forces: automation and sustainability. To maximise asset utilisation and reduce environmental impact, terminals must embrace digitalisation. However, resistance to change, the complexity of interfacing systems and unpredictable operational disruptions create barriers to efficiency.

This session will explore how observability and digital twin technologies can help overcome these challenges by providing real-time visibility, predictive insights and optimisation strategies for terminal operating systems (TOS), equipment control and scheduling. By integrating observability with automation, terminals can move from reactive to proactive decision-making, mitigating the impact of unpredictable ship and truck schedules.

SPEAKER

ROBERT HOWE, SENIOR SYSTEMS ENGINEERING CONSULTANT, ENDAVA

10:15AM - 11:00AM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

CONNECTED, VISIBLE TERMINAL OPERATIONS

This session will explore how tools for operational observability and digital twin technologies can help terminal operators by providing real-time visibility, predictive insights and data-backed decision making. Join us as we learn how these technologies have progressed in recent years and study the capabilities of current technologies and how a lack of transparency in your operation can hurt your business competitiveness.

SPEAKERS

CHRISTIAN BLAUERT, GLOBAL DIRECTOR PORT AND TERMINAL DEVELOPMENT, MOFFATT & NICHOL

JASPER BOESSENKOOL, SENIOR SALES DIRECTOR, PORTCHAIN

NORBERT KLETTNER, MANAGING DIRECTOR EMEA, RBS

ROBERT HOWE, SENIOR SYSTEMS ENGINEERING CONSULTANT, ENDAVA

ANTON BERNAERD, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, CAMCO TECHNOLOGIES

11:00AM - 11:30AM

NETWORKING AND COFFEE BREAK

11:30AM - 11:45AM

KEYNOTE AND Q&A

PRESENTATION FROM ATAI

SPEAKERS

GANGADHAR GUDE, FOUNDER & CEO, ATAI

11:45AM - 12.30PM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

DIGITALISATION: BUILDING THE FOUNDATION FOR THE TERMINAL OF THE FUTURE

This session will consider how terminal operators can overcome challenges such as initial cost, interoperability challenges and cyber vulnerability and boost their level of digitalisation. We will understand the benefits and technologies unlocked for highly digitalised operations. Join us to understand the steps you can take to transform the way your terminal operates and enable the implementation of the digital technologies that are driving productivity and efficiency.

SPEAKERS

GABRIELA RUANO, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, CONROO

MARCO FEHMER, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, DSP

JOHN LUND, SALES AND MARKETING DIRECTOR, VISY OY

ROY DE HAAN, PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR FEEDERS AND TERMINALS, DCSA

FRANCISCO BLANQUER, R&D SENIOR MANAGER, CMA-CGM

12:30PM - 13:30PM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

TARGETING OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES WITH ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND OPTIMISATION

Join us as we discover the AI trends that can have an impact on your operation in 2025 and how quickly you can deploy AI to target your operational challenges.

SPEAKERS

QUE TRAN, VICE PRESIDENT - TECHNOLOGY AND TRANSFORMATION - EUROPE, DP WORLD

RAMANA JAMPALA, PRESIDENT & CEO, AVLINO

FRANK KHO, MD - EUROPE, ATAI

FERNANDO MARTI-BELDA ROSELLO, PROJECTS EXECUTION MANAGER, NEXTPORT

13:30PM - 14:30PM

LUNCH BREAK AND NETWORKING SPONSORED BY ABB

14:30PM - 15:15PM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

BEYOND CONNECTIVITY: HOW PRIVATE 5G POWERS THE SMART FOUNDATION FOR TERMINAL PRODUCTIVITY - REAL USE CASES, REAL ROI

SPEAKERS

STEPHAN PIWORUS, CO-FOUNDER, ZENZE

ADAM SCHIPPER, DIRECTOR, PRIVATE CELLULAR NETWORKS, TRANSPORTATION AND PORTS, ERICSSON

GRAHAM WILDE, HEAD OF 5G BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, THREE GROUP SOLUTIONS

JOAN MESEGUER, RESEARCHER IT - INNOVATION & PORT CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT, FUNDACI3N VALENCIAPORT
CHRISTIAN ERIKSSON, SR SOLUTION PARTNER FOR 5G ACCELERATION, VERIZON BUSINESS

15:15PM - 16:00PM

PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A

**PANEL DISCUSSION FROM BOSTON CONSULTING GROUP AND TIC 4.0: DIGITAL PORTS
BENCHMARKING INITIATIVE**

SPEAKERS

DOROTA KORENKIEWICZ, SENIOR MANAGER, BOSTON CONSULTING GROUP

MAX MÜHLEMEYER, SENIOR ANALYST, BOSTON CONSULTING GROUP

NORBERT KLETTNER, VICE PRESIDENT, TIC 4.0

LUISA KEMPF, SENIOR MANAGER SUSTAINABILITY & ENERGY TRANSITION, EUROGATE

JOAN CARB3, ASSET DIGITIZATION PROJECT ENGINEER, APMT VALENCIA

QUE TRAN, VICE PRESIDENT - TECHNOLOGY AND TRANSFORMATION - EUROPE, DP WORLD

FRANCISCO BLANQUER, SENIOR MANAGER TERMINALS R&D, CMA CGM

16:00PM - 16:15PM

CONFERENCE CLOSE

DAY TWO CLOSING REMARKS

SPEAKER

YVO SAANEN, MANAGING DIRECTOR, PORTWISE