



PORT OF KIEL

SK NEWS

For customers and partners
of the PORT OF KIEL
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Dear friends of the port of Kiel,



The Port of Kiel is catching up in cargo handling and we are showing strong growth in the cruise shipping sector. We are also getting a further boost from an increase in the number of departures offered to Klaipeda and also as a result of the announcement that an additional cargo ferry is being introduced on the route to and from Oslo. To expand our market position we are currently investing 15 million Euros in two very different projects: In one of these we want to completely restructure the access area to the Ostuferhafen to create more hard standing space for trucks and to optimise logistics procedures. In the other we are creating a second terminal building to handle passengers and luggage at the Ostseekai. With the new building we will be able to expand our capacities and provide the best possible service. During this year's cruise shipping season - one in which top results are once again being recorded - we are also having air quality at the Ostseekai measured. Preliminary results confirm that all applicable regulations governing air quality were complied with. I hope you enjoy reading the latest issue of the SK News.

Yours,

Dr Dirk Claus
Managing Director

OSTSEEKAI AIR QUALITY

Cruise ship emissions in the vicinity of the Ostseekai are hardly noticeable. That's the preliminary conclusion of a study into emission levels conducted since the beginning of the season by the laboratory testing group Eurofins and the firm of Olfasense in and around the Kiel cruise ship terminal.



In one by the Ministry of Energy, Agriculture, the Environment, Nature and Digitalization (MELUND) certified measurement process it was confirmed that while ships were berthed, all the applicable regulations governing air quality in the area surrounding the cruise ship terminal were complied with. As far as measurements of overall emissions of nitrous oxides (NO₂) and fine particles (PM) are concerned, ship levels are all within the normal background conditions category, meaning that no measurable swings could be determined. Measurement data was compared and evaluated by the firm of Lairm Consult, taking into consideration the arrival dates of cruise ships and the prevailing wind conditions. There is no evidence to support a repeatedly advanced theory that there is a connection with emissions registered on the city's Theodor Heuss Ring road.

COLOR LINE CARGO FERRY

Norway's Color Line is to expand freighting capacity on its service between Kiel and Oslo. To this end, the owner has acquired a cargo ferry which will go into service between Norway and Germany from January next year alongside its two current passenger ferries "Color Magic" and "Color Fantasy". Three round trips a week are planned for the additional ferry to complement the existing daily departures of the passenger ferries.



The cargo ferry is 155 m long, 23 m wide. With a loading capacity of 1,775 lane metres, it can transport up to 120 trucks, trailers or containers each trip. It is fitted with a waste gas cleaning scrubber to protect the environment. It is expected that the additional cargo transport service will also have a positive effect on intermodal traffic volumes - something that could be of benefit to the entire port. In Kiel the Color Line Ferries depart from the Norwegenkai Terminal, whose marshalling area has already been enlarged by another 10.000 m² a couple of years ago. From January there will be 10 departures per week to Oslo.

OSTUFERHAFEN ACCESS AREA

The PORT OF KIEL has begun the partial demolition of a former grain storage facility as part of plans to completely restructure the access area to the Ostuferhafen. The demolition, lasting into November, along with the integration of adjacent space, will free up 2.8 hectares in the port access area on which larger hard standing spaces can be created for trucks, trailers and cars.



The PORT OF KIEL acquired the grain storage facility belonging to the former Getreide AG in 2016. The warehouses Number 31 to 33 will continue to be used to store forestry products. The warehouses 34 to 36 will be taken down as part of the restructuring of the port access area. To minimise noise and dust emissions, the demolition site is being water-sprinkled and works only take place at daytime. Unrestricted access to the Ostuferhafen is being guaranteed at all times during the construction work.

DEPARTURES INCREASED

Eight rather than seven departures a week in both directions are now being offered on the Kiel-Klaipeda route – initially at least until the end of the year.

The move has been made possible by the introduction of “Patria Seaways”, which is leaving her regular service route from Klaipeda to Karlshamn once a week and is now serving Kiel every Thursday instead. Her arrival in the

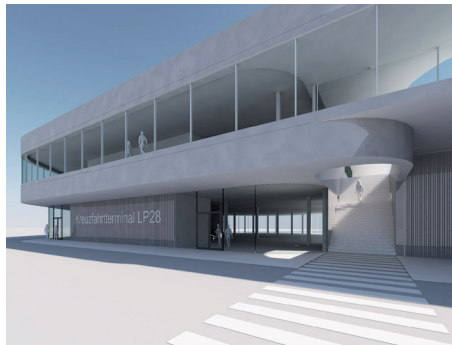


Ostufertafen is scheduled for Fridays at 1300 hours and she will leave for Lithuania the following morning at 1000 hours. The “Patria Seaways” has 1,800 lane metres available and will provide further capacity on the route – particularly on Saturdays when traffic is heavy – so helping to relieve pressure at peak periods for truck and trailer traffic. The RoPax ferries “Regina Seaways” and “Viktoria Seaways”, which regularly serve the Kiel-Klaipeda route, each boast 2,600 lane metres and carry 600 passengers. They leave the Ostufertafen daily at 2100 for Lithuania.

TERMINAL WORK STARTS

Work has begun at Kiel’s Ostseekai Cruise Ship Terminal on a second handling terminal for cruise ship passengers and their luggage.

Whereas previously two ships were handled by just one terminal at the Ostseekai, in future every ship will have its own handling terminal. The new 3,700 m², two-storey terminal is being built as a northern extension of the existing terminal building to create a single structure with connections on both levels. The new building’s frontage picks up on existing surroundings and impresses with the transparency afforded by large glass surfaces.

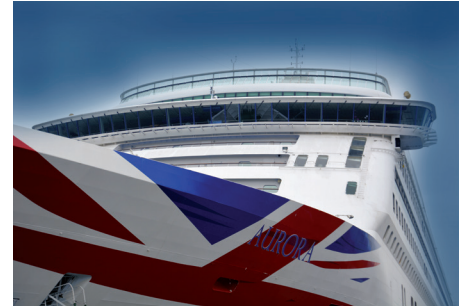


Functionally, the new building is based on the existing terminal structure. While baggage handling takes place on the ground floor, the upper floor will be reserved for passengers and check-in procedures.

150TH CRUISE SHIP CALL

The first visit to Kiel in September of the P&O Cruises’ “Aurora” also marked the 150th visit to the port by a cruise ship this year. Even though weeks were still to go before the end of the cruise shipping season, the arrival broke the previous record for visits set in 2016 when 147

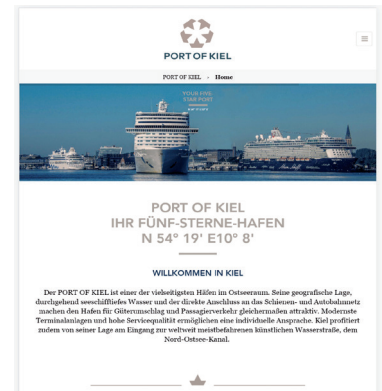
calls were registered by a cruise ship. The cruise season in Kiel ends on October 28th when the “AIDAbella” leaves the Ostseekai Terminal for the Mediterranean. Overall, the port posted 166 visits by 33 different cruise ships this year. Total tonnage rose to more than 11 million GT for the first time.



The biggest ships of the season have been the “MSC Preziosa”, followed by the “Costa Pacifica” and “Mein Schiff 1”. The port’s most frequent guests have been the AIDA ships which have visited Kiel 62 times this year.

NEW HOMEPAGE

The new Home Page of the PORT OF KIEL is now available online. Programmed and content designed in house, Kiel’s seaport is now called the FIVE-STAR-PORT online. The modern, responsive web design is particularly user-friendly and interacts with the features of mobile terminals such as smart phones and tablet-computers.



Overall the PORT OF KIEL Home Page is much clearer and more intuitive than before with more illustrations. Completely new are the ‘flipping pages’ which allow virtual page turning in the magazine section. Visit us on www.portofkiel.com.

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