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Save the Date — HCL AGM 2024

Dear All,

The long-awaited moment is finally here. We would like to invite you to attend the Annual General meeting of the network.

Dates: **25th Sep, 2024 (Wed) – 28th Sep 2024 (Sat)**

Venue: **Malaysia, Langkawi**

Detailed agenda, registration form will be shared via email.

Regards,
HCL Network

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Business Update — RIF Group



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Since our full product launch in January 2021, RIF Group has firmly established itself as a prominent provider of road freight solutions catering to the needs of the UK and European communities.

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- Dedicated Transport Services
- Partial Load Transportation
 - Consolidated Shipping
- Intra-European Transportation
 - Brokerage Services
 - Transit Assurance
 - Project Logistics
 - Customized Solutions
- Fiscal Representation Guidance
- Warehousing and 3PL Services in the UK & NL

Amidst the current fluctuations in the road freight market, RIF Group is dedicated to offering a distinct approach to our clients. We have assembled an in-house team of road freight specialists committed to delivering a seamless and dependable experience for our clientele.

For stock transportation to or from Europe in 2024, reach out to our team now at **+44 (0)1932 629 145** or via email at **euenquiries@rifworldwide.co.uk**



Business Update — RIF Group**Are you looking to expand your logistics operations in the UK and beyond?**

We are reaching out to let you know we have space at our Milton Keynes DC to fill.

If you have any possible enquiries for any of the below, we will happily look at these with you along with our Head of Logistics Operations.

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Bulk storage

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Short or long term

Fully automated pick and pack systems, with e-com and B2B integrations
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Business Update — M & M, Germany

AIR & SEA Directory, GERMANY (Please refer the directory attached in the email separately)

Rail freight from China to Europe



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Yiwu - Duisburg / Xian - Hamburg

China to Europe:**Pre-carriage/Clearance:** can be organized by M&M China from any Chinese City**Warehouse location:** Yiwu, Xian**ETD:** Wednesday / Saturday (Express routing)**Transit Time:** Xian: 13-15 days

Yiwu: 19-21 days

Warehouse location: Duisburg, Hamburg**Delivery/Clearance:** Delivery to any European City via M&M possible

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- " From Hamburg to Savannah
- " 16 days port-to-port
- " 100% under M&M control
- " From the economic centers of Europe to the US East Coast and the Southeast region of the US

YOUR ADVANTAGES:

- " Full control and shipment tracking
- " Attractive freight rates
- " Reduced risk, no unnecessary interfaces
- " Support from expert teams in Europe and the USA
- " Fast and secure handling in state-of-the-art warehouses
- " Possibility of temporary storage, warehousing, picking and distribution after arrival in the USA

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Business Update— Windlog

Maritime Transport: Find out if it's the ideal mode for your cargo



Calculating the international freight for goods is necessary to execute activities strategically. However, before that, it's essential to understand the modes of transportation. Maritime transport is one of the critical elements in the logistics of products between countries.

The ICS (International Chamber of Shipping) states that 90% of global trade occurs through the international shipping industry. In other words, using aquatic transport vehicles and general vessels that have modernized over time.

Thus, import and export become viable activities due to the intense and organized flow of goods of all kinds. Maritime transport facilitates foreign trade operations, connecting countries. Therefore, learn more about it!

Advantages of maritime transport

Maritime transport is a crucial mode for international businesses because it provides access to various competitive advantages for industries. Here are the key points that favor its selection:

- **Low freight cost:** The first advantage of maritime transport is the low cost of freight, which is much more economical than air transport. Additionally, strategies like consolidated cargo contribute to cost reduction.
- **Long distances:** Another positive aspect is its ability to move cargo between continents, being the most commonly used for this purpose. It also transports goods between cities and countries, making it one of the best long-distance options.
- **Bulky cargoes:** The third advantage is related to the nature of the cargo. Ships can be adapted to carry bulky and heavy loads, which may not be feasible with other modes due to aircraft and truck limitations.
- **Exclusive routes:** Ships can reach places often inaccessible to other modes, ensuring a competitive advantage in the distribution or acquisition of goods.

Disadvantages of maritime transport

On the flip side, maritime transport also has disadvantages, requiring better planning from those involved in business. Understand these factors to evaluate if this is the most suitable mode for the company:

- **Delivery time:** The delivery time for goods traveling by sea is longer, as maritime transport is slower than other alternatives. In addition to slow speed, cargo handling and congestion are also decisive factors in the calculation.
- **Restricted routes:** It's not uncommon for maritime transport to need to be combined with other modes, creating multimodal transportation. This is because some routes are compromised and restricted, unable to be executed entirely.
- **Intermodal costs:** To complement the previous point, if it's necessary to combine modes to meet demands between countries, the freight becomes more expensive. The transit time also increases, creating a significant point of attention for the final price quotation.

Business Update— Windlog

Types of cargoes for maritime transport

We've discussed advantages and disadvantages, but evaluating the type of cargo is also crucial to finding the best solution to determining if maritime transport is the right choice. Cargoes are divided into four categories:

- **Containerized cargoes:** Containers emerged in the 1920s and revolutionized maritime cargo transport. This process involves container ships and stacking (containerization). It's the most common method because it accepts almost all types of goods.
- **Bulk cargoes:** Bulk cargoes are homogeneous, including solids, liquids, or gases. There is no unit counting in this type, and it's a form of freight without packaging, such as minerals, coal, and grains.
- **Neo-bulk cargo:** Unlike bulk cargo, neo-bulk cargo involves the formation of homogenous clusters of products. The volume allows transportation in batches during the same shipment. Examples include bales of cellulose, steel plates, and live animals. Specific types of ships are suitable for these categories, such as oil tankers and gas carriers.
- **General break-bulk cargoes:** The last category involves volumes packed in bags, bales, crates, drums, and other packaging or unpackaged items like vehicles, machinery, and blocks.

Brazilian ports for maritime transport

The National Waterway Transport Agency (Antaq) states that Brazil currently has 40 public ports in operation. Among the main ones is the Port of Santos (SP), the largest in Latin America with high-quality infrastructure.

The Port of Itajaí (SC) is the second-largest port in Brazil in cargo movement, facilitating the transportation of various goods, including frozen chickens.

The Port of Rio de Janeiro (RJ) is highly sought after due to its location in the Southeast. Other notable Brazilian ports include:

- Port of Vitória (ES)
- Port of Paranaguá (PR)
- Port of Rio Grande (RS)

Is maritime transport ideal for your company?

To determine if maritime transport is ideal, various factors need evaluation beyond the type of goods, freight type, or modal agility. While these factors are essential, they are not the only ones. Other requirements must be considered!

Therefore, it's ideal to find a personalized solution for the business. At Windlog, we offer agility in strategic decision-making for all international freight and handle customs clearance.

For specific demands, we provide:

- Storage and distribution of cargoes
- National transportation to the destination
- Project cargo (large-sized cargoes)

Change Management for Hyperion ARCS Netting

Overview of the To Be Process

CNC will share required **SOA format** in which Netting participants will have to share their data (O/s AR+AP at invoice level). On receipt of the SOA from Netting participants, CNC will then upload these SOA a shared file folder where, **EPM** will automatically process the file & then Records will match with counter party books. **CNC will share required SOA format in which Netting participants will have to share their data (O/s AR+AP at invoice level). On receipt of the SOA from Netting participants, CNC will then upload these SOA a shared file folder where, EPM will automatically process the file & then Records will match with counter party books.**

Data would be processed as and when data file (SOA template) would be placed in the shared folder for initial upload and changes. Post processing, matching report will be shared

We are currently planning to have 4 pre reporting and 1 final reporting to be executed during One ARCS Hyperion Netting cycle. The number of pre-cycles can be increased or decreased by CNC as and when required.

Basis matching done in **EPM** system, Netting Participants will receive **MATCHED**, **SUGGESTED MATCH** and **UNMATCHED** report at invoice level during all the netting cycles (Pre & Final run)

Basis Pre Reports shared by CNC, Netting Participant can perform their Follow-up with counter parties on their **SUGGESTED MATCH** and **UNMATCHED** transactions, They can add approved AP invoices in **SOA template** & follow-up with counter parties for their unapproved AR invoices as mentioned in unmatched report. For Next Pre-run or Final Run, Netting participants will have to share their Revised **SOA template** CNC and the same will be uploaded in Replace Mode for the participant's complete data. If CNC doesn't receive **Revised** version of your SOA then last received version in that month Netting will be considered for matching.

On Final day of the run, Final Matched Transactions and Final Netting Settlement report will be shared by CNC via e-mail.

Netting Participants will book manual netting vouchers in their ERP as being done earlier, based on the Final Netting Settlement report shared by CNC. Settlement should be done "To / By" CNC as per amount mentioned in Settlement Report & Dates mentioned in Netting Calendar.

Change Management for Hyperion ARCS Netting

HYPERION BENEFITS

- Automated & Transparent Invoice approval process
- Dispute resolution at invoice level
- Proper Audit trail at invoice level for Balance confirmation
- Auto matching/ confirmation & auto Netting Journal booking
- No more holding back of approved invoices

FAQ's

Q1. How would I know if I made a mistake in the manual Excel upload template?

Ans: In Manual Excel SOA Template we have given Instructions on “How to fill Excel SOA” Users can read those Instructions carefully before updating SOA. Also we have develop a macro within SOA template which can validate SOA for all possible human errors and provide error log to users which enable them to correct their mistakes.

Q2. Do I need to control use of any special characters in the manual Excel upload template?

Ans: Yes, You can not use special characters like comma (,) & semi colon (;) anywhere in excel SOA template. Also you should not keep any single cell blank if you have use any invoice line. If there is no information to provide then you can use “NA”

Q3. What if the payable is not booked at all or payable is booked wrongly?

Ans: If any payable invoice is Approved but you have not mentioned in your initial SOA then you can add that invoice in your Revised SOA & share that with CNC in order to match that invoice in next Pre/Final Run. If you have booked any

Receivable or Payable invoice incorrectly then you need to correct that in your ERP system as well as in Revised SOA & share correct data with CNC in order to match those invoices in next Pre/Final Run

Q4. Will “Data Confidentiality” will be maintained during this Netting process?

Ans: Yes, 100% This Hyperion Netting Activity will be carried out by 3rd party vendor & Your Receivable & Payable data will not be shared within Network. In Pre & Final Reporting as well you will receive only those transactions data which is either in your books & in your counterparty books (which related to your office only) Hence Pls. be 100% assure about “Data Confidentiality”

HCL Network Update — Out going Agent

Dear All,

We would like to announce the below changes in the Network;

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2. ECU WORLDWIDE (CZ) S.R.O., Czech Republic

HOLIDAYS around THE WORLD

Country	Date	Occasion
Srilanka, Germany, Lebanon, Italy, Uganda, Taiwan, Belgium, South Africa, Turkey, Portugal, Greece, Korea, Singapore, Chile, Mauritius, Brazil, Indonesia, Philippines, Cyprus, Malayasia, Poland, Norway	1st May	Labour Day
Lebanon	3rd May	Orthodox Good Friday
Cyprus	3rd May	Easter Friday - Orthodox
Poland	3rd May	Constitution Day
Greece	3rd - 6th May	Orth.Easter
Lebanon	5th May	Orthodox Easter Sunday
Lebanon	5th May	Martyrs' Day
Korea	5th - 6th May	Children's day
England and Wales	6th May	Early May bank holiday
Scotland	6th May	Early May bank holiday
Cyprus	6th May	Easter Monday - Orthodox
Indonesia	9th - 10 May 24	Ascension of Jesus Christ
Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Norway, Denmark	9th May	Ascension Day
Lebanon	12th May	Resistance and Liberation Day
Israel	13th May	National Memorial Day – working until 13:00
Israel	14th May	Independence day-office closed
Korea	15th May	Buddha's Birthday
Norway	17th May	Constitution Day

HOLIDAYS around THE WORLD

Country	Date	Occasion
Germany	19th May	Whitsun
Turkey	19th May	Commemoration of Atatürk, Youth and Sports Day
Poland	19th May	Whit Sunday
Norway & Denmark	19th May	Pentecost
Germany	20th May	Whitsun
Netherlands	20th May	Pentecost – Whit Monday
Belgium	20th May	Whit Monday
Canada	20th May	Victoria Day
Norway & Denmark	20th May	Whit Monday
Chile	21st May	Navy Day
Singapore	22nd May	Vesak Day
Malaysia	22nd May	Wesak Day
Indonesia	23rd - 24th May 24	Vaisak Holiday
Sri Lanka	23rd May	Vesak Full moon Poya day
Sri Lanka	24th May	Day Following Vesak full moon poya day
Mexico	24th May	Labor Day
England and Wales	27th May	Spring bank holiday
Scotland	27th May	Spring bank holiday
Portugal	30th May	Body of God
Germany, Brazil & Poland	30th May	Corpus Christi