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Copenhagen Malmö Port strengthens its role as a core port

Consolidating development opportunities and objectives for the European transport system was on the agenda when Copenhagen Malmö Port, CMP, received Pat Cox from ScanMed, on Tuesday. Being a core port further strengthens CMP's role in the development of Europe's infrastructure.

CMP has been designated a core, i.e. main port, by the EU. This means that CMP constitutes an important part of the EU's infrastructure, but also of the national infrastructure policy. It is of major importance that the Swedish Government prioritises the infrastructure for core ports if the ports are to be able to meet future requirements.

CMP is part of the ScanMed Transport Corridor, which links Scandinavia and the Mediterranean. The route passes through Finland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Austria, Italy, Sicily and Malta.

On Tuesday Pat Cox, coordinator for ScanMed, visited CMP for talks on CMP's ambitions to further strengthen its role as a core port.

- "The Scandinavian-Mediterranean Core Network Corridor is the spine in European transport. It connects seven Member States and crosses regions, which generate more than 27 % of EU's GDP. The Copenhagen Malmö Port is one of the Core Ports on this Corridor. During my visit, I expect to learn more about its needs and challenges, supported by practical examples. We must secure our ambitious European goals of competitiveness, sustainability and development, by investing in the best possible sea- and land connections", says Pat Cox, European coordinator for the ScanMed Corridor.

The flows of freight are absolutely decisive for flexible and cost-effective transportation. The ScanMed Corridor utilises the existing infrastructure effectively, taking into account both local shipping and ocean-going vessels.

- "We are naturally very pleased that Mr. Cox has made it a priority to discuss with us CMP's conditions in terms of future contributions to the development of the European transport system. With our geographic location in combination with other important aspects such as the fact that we have the potential to expand, we can adapt to the requirements of the surroundings in the future too. It strengthens our role as a core port. It creates major opportunities, not just for us, but also for Malmö, Copenhagen and for the Baltic region as a whole", says Johan Röstin, CEO of Copenhagen Malmö Port AB.

Besides Pat Cox and Menno van der Kamp representing the European Commission, Johan Röstin, CMP, Marina Fransson, Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation, Gert Nørgaard, CMP, and Björn Larsson, CMP, also participated during the visit.

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About Copenhagen Malmö Port

CMP, Copenhagen Malmö Port, is one of the largest port and terminal operators in the Nordic region and one of the largest cruise terminals in northern Europe. CMP is one of 83 European core ports, which are considered by the EU to be particularly significant for the development of new transport corridors in Europe.