# **TANGER MED NEWS**

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the African Economic Zones organised by AFZO in Abidjan, Ivory Coast



The African Free Zones Organisation (AFZO) has organized its third annual meeting in Abidjan, Ivory Coast from 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018, under the theme "Economic Zones and Free Zones' contribution to sustainable economic development in Africa". with support and contribution from the Ministry of Industry of the Republic of Ivory Coast.

AFZO brought together representatives for this event of 30 African countries including Chad, Mali, Senegal, Egypt, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Nigeria, Uganda, Tunisia, Cameroon, Gabon, Botswana, Rwanda, Djibouti, Zambia, Morocco, Burkina Faso, Mauritania, Angola, South Africa, Sudan, Guinea, Libya, Benin, Ethiopia, Kenya, Gambia, Togo, Madagascar, and Congo.

Tanger Med took the initiative to launch the African Free Zones Organization (AFZO) in 2015 with the participation of representatives of Mauritania, Ivory Coast, Senegal, Gabon, Cameroon, Tunisia, Chad, Egypt and Morocco. Since its creation, Tanger Med has been strongly involved in promoting the activities of the association by supporting it with the necessary resources to participate in the creation of industrial dynamics in Africa.

During this annual meeting, international experts discussed the best practices and models for the successful development of special economic zones.

Various sessions were scheduled during the day and covered relevant topics related to the development of both economic and free zones in Africa, the challenges and roles of economic and free zones in terms of FDI attractiveness, investment and financing strategy and regional integration of the zones.

The 21<sup>st</sup> September day during the event was marked by the presence of His Excellency the Minister of Industry and Trade of Ivory Coast, the President of Tanger Med, the presidency of the African Development Bank and other guests of honour. A hundred participants from 30 different countries were expected at this event. International experts from Europe, Africa and America led sessions and meetings of experts. Thirty Economic Zones and Free Zones participated in this important annual meeting.

The African Free Zones Organisation (AFZO) is an association founded upon the initiative of Tanger Med in 2015. It includes the main African economic zones, free zones and institutions in charge of the development, management and promotion of economic zones and free zones in Africa.

Presently, 29 members representing 18 African countries: Gabon, Nigeria, Togo, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Guinea, Burkina Faso, Senegal, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Chad, Sudan, Ethiopia, Uganda, Kenya, Zambia and Botswana.

## Ground breaking ceremony of JTEKT in Tanger Automotive City



The Japanese equipment manufacturer JTEKT settles in Morocco. Specialising in steering systems, they have just launched the construction of their first factory in Tanger Automotive City in the presence of Moulay Hafid Elalamy, Minister of Industry, Trade, Investment and Digital Economy, Tetsuo Agata, Chairman of JTEKT, and Fouad Brini, President of Tanger Med. With an investment of 20 MEUR, the plant will manufacture electric power steering gear and steering columns.

The production will start in 2020 with an annual capacity of 300,000 electric power steering systems intended for the local factories of international car manufacturers. The 11,300 m<sup>2</sup> plant will also host production lines of Fuji Autotech Morocco, a JTEKT subsidiary which produces steering columns.

During the ceremony, Moulay Hafid Elalamy, Minister of Industry, Investment, Trade and Digital Economy, highlighted the fact that this pioneering investment by a major player, would develop a new specialisation with strong added value in Morocco. "The automotive ecosystem continues its move upmarket and is gaining integration and technological density, thus enhancing the competitiveness and attractiveness of Morocco as a destination," he indicated.

"This new manufacturing facility in North Africa will allow us to offer our customers local integration while allowing JTEKT access to the fast growing markets of Africa and the Middle East," said Tetsuo Agata, Chairman of the JTEKT group. He added, "thanks to its dynamic policy in the automotive sector, the Kingdom of Morocco has helped develop a very attractive ecosystem for foreign investors, and Tanger Med, its local relay, created all the favourable conditions for our successful industrial establishment". »

It should be noted that JTEKT is one of the world's leading suppliers of innovative solutions for the automotive industry and the leading supplier of electric power steering. In 2017, the company achieved a turnover of 11 billion EUR with its 4 divisions: steering systems, transmission, bearings and machine tools and mechatronics. JTEKT currently employs 45,600 people worldwide

## Visit of the President of the African Development Bank to Tanger Med

An important visit was organized on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at the Tanger Med port, led by Mr Akinwumi Adesina, President of the African Development Bank.



## Tanger Med ranked 45<sup>th</sup> global container port and 1<sup>st</sup> in Africa



Tanger Med confirms its position within the world's top 50 container ports worldwide in the latest "World Top Container Ports" ranking which has just been published by "Container Management" magazine. As a reminder, there are about 500 container ports around the world. Tanger Med 1 port, with a capacity of 3 million TEU containers, handled 3,312,409 TEU containers in 2017, which represents 11% more than its nominal capacity. This performance allowed the port to win 6 additional places in 2017, thus moving to 45<sup>th</sup> position in the international ranking.

At the African level, Tanger Med positions itself as the leading container port on the continent, followed by Port Said in Egypt at the 52<sup>nd</sup> rank with 2,989,897 TEUs handled, then followed by Durban in South Africa at 65<sup>th</sup> rank with 2,699,978 TEUs handled. The only other African ports included in this global ranking are the ports of Lagos in Nigeria (1,500,000 TEU) and Mombasa in Kenya (1,189,000 TEU).

This performance results from the strong involvement and synergy of all Tanger Med partners, and in particular:

- The excellent productivity of the APMT, Eurogate and Boluda operators
- The continued trust of the main shipping lines (Maersk Line, Hapag-Lloyd, CMA CGM, Arkas, Hamburg Sud...)
- The involvment of the Harbor Master's and Port Pilot's staff to optimise stopovers
- The involvement of the Administrations and Authorities concerned
- The digitalisation initiated by Tanger Med particularly for the reservation of slots designed to optimize ships calls

The upcoming opening of the Tanger Med 2 port in 2019, which will add an additional handling capacity of 6 million TEU containers, will bring Tanger Med port complex handling capacity to 9 million TEU containers.

This perspective will allow Tanger Med to rank among the top 20 container ports at the international level, which will further strengthen its position as the platform for Moroccan exports, and as a reference hub for global logistics flows and Global Trade.

#### Tanger Med Award for Excellence

The ''Tanger Med Award for Excellence'' has become the annual meeting designed to reward the best students in the region.

On Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the award ceremony of the Tanger Med Award for Excellence took place in Tanger Med Port rewarding the best students in the region in the presence of Mr. Abdelkhalek Merzouki, Governor of Fahs Anjra Province, Mr. Fouad Brini, President of Tanger Med, the representatives of the Regional Academy of Education and Training, the external services as well as the students' parents.

This year saw the launch of the first edition of Tanger Med's Award of Fine Arts designed to



reward the best students/artists in design, visual arts and comics. Through this Award, the Tanger Med Foundation encourages culture and arts and supports young Moroccan talents.

# Ports : Tanger Med Port Authority

Outcome of the 2018 Marhaba campaign: 35% growth compared to 2017 for the return flow of vehicles



The Marhaba 2018 campaign ended on September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Tanger Med Passenger port with a growth exceeding 35% in the return flow of vehicles compared to Marhaba2017, and after an exceptional week from 27 August to 2 September, during which the port increased passenger traffic by 202% compared to the same period last year.

The overall traffic recorded during the whole campaign period is 1,741,212 passengers, 464,977 vehicles, 4,390 buses. The traffic flow was concentrated from 27 August to 2 September with 295,127 passengers, 63,873 vehicles, and 352 buses. This exceptional traffic is due to the saturation of all the points of land and sea exits and the redirection of all passengers exiting to the Tanger Med port.

To this end, and to reduce the 18 kilometres of traffic jams on the highway and the national road N16, new waiting areas at Tanger Med 1 and Tanger Med 2 ports have been opened.

A record daily peak was recorded on the 27th of August with 53,137 passengers and 10,510 vehicles.

With the exception of the peak return week, which recorded waiting times of up to 18 hours, the average port time was two hours throughout the campaign period.

All the actors of the Marhaba 2018 operation: the port authority, the DGSN, the Customs, the gendarmerie, the auxiliary forces and the local authorities, under the coordination of the Mohammed V Foundation for Solidarity, rallied during this campaign, and put all the necessary efforts, especially during periods of exceptional traffic, to carry out this operation in the best conditions.

#### Marhaba Port Facility 2018:

- The capacity of the Tanger Med Algeciras fleet deployed during the campaign was 41,120 passengers and 8,500 vehicles per day.
- The storage capacity of vehicles waiting to board in intra-port areas was 4 500 vehicles.
- Access and border inspection zones allowed the handling of 700 vehicles per hour at the entrance and 1,000 vehicles per hour at the Tanger Med Passengers port exit.
- A total of 12 ferries served regular lines, averaging 40 rotations per day (one departure every half hour).





# Record traffic of 263 202 TEU during the month of July at the first container terminal

The first Tanger Med 1 container terminal operated by APM Terminals Tangier achieved a record traffic of 202,263 TEU during the month of July 2018.

This record is 9.8% higher than the last record registered in December 2017, which was in the order of 184,268 TEUs. It is also in excess of 29.5% of the monthly average recorded in 2017 by the first container terminal which represents 156,186 TEU.

This record traffic of 202,263 TEUs in July 2018 was reached via 86 vessels' stopovers recorded at Terminal TC1.

#### Commissioning of a second port-level ramp (pvs) at the car carrier's terminal

As part of the reinforcement of the reception capacity of the latest-generation carrier ships, the port authority proceeded with the construction of a second port-level ramp at the car carrier's terminal of Tanger Med port 1.

The port structure, commissioned in June 2018, will support the growth of vehicle traffic at the two car carrier terminals (TVR & TVCU) but also reduce the waiting time of ships in the harbour.



## Bulk activity and general cargo



During the month of September 2018, 21 blades from the SIEMENS GAMESA TAC factory were loaded aboard the vessel M / V MILA for the LAXAASKOGEN wind farm.

These blades were unloaded at the port of Uddevalla in Sweden.



#### Activities of the Logistics Free Zone managed by Medhub

Among the 70 operators of Tanger Med port's logistics free zone (ZFL), the international groups, such us Bosch, Decathlon and 3M manage the distribution and supplies to Africa through their Tanger Med logistics platforms.

During this 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, the Logistics Free Zone has increased its overall traffic flow through the ZFL (Medhub) by 70% in value and by 45% of the freight unit numbers compared to the same period in 2017.

In terms of geographical connectivity, new destinations were added to the countries exporting to the African continent. The DECATHLON sporting goods brand opened its shipments to Egypt with 140 containers until the end of September 2018, bringing to 10 the number of exporting countries from Tanger Med to Africa.

The American group 3M has also opened its shipments to new countries in West Africa: Gabon, Namibia and Mauritania. Bosch Power Tools began exporting to Nigeria and Tunisia.



## Renewal of the PERS certificate



TMPA renews the PERS certification. This certification is the culmination of the work carried out in relation to the preservation of the environment and allows Tanger Med to evolve and support its major structuring projects, while meeting the legal and regulatory requirements relating to the environment.

EcoPorts is the main environmental initiative of the European port sector. This tool was initiated by a number of proactive ports in 1997 and has been fully integrated into the European Maritime Ports Organisation (ESPO) since 2011. It should be noted that Tanger Med is the first and only port in Africa that has obtained this certification.

#### Tanger Med participates in the 15<sup>th</sup> edition of the SMAP IMMO fair in Paris



Tanger Med participated in the 15<sup>th</sup> edition of the Moroccan Real Estate and Lifestyle Fair, SMAP IMMO, held in Paris from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> June 2018. The show was an opportunity to create a point of contact and information with the Moroccan community living in France, and also in other European countries, about the Marhaba2018 campaign.

Thus, during the 3 days of the fair, the visitors had the opportunity to discuss directly with the representatives of the port to obtain all the information and documentation necessary for a crossing in the safest and most comfortable conditions through of the Tanger Med port.

#### The Freight Exchange "TM Fret" presented to the industrial players of Tanger Med Zones

A day of information and presentation of the digital platform "TM Fret» was animated on July 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018 by Mr. Hassan ABKARI, Director of the Tanger Med Passengers port, for the benefit of the industrial players of Tanger Med Zones. This presentation aims to break down the various aspects of use of the freight exchange and the numerous advantages for its users.

The freight exchange, managed by Tanger Med in coordination with CGEM, is a secure transaction platform that connects a shipper to a carrier on a common area. This is a tool that enables to minimise transportation costs and avoid empty returns. TM Fret does not require any subscription fees, no commission during transactions, and the platform is available 24/7.



Mr. Hassan ABKARI also took the opportunity to present the new "Export Access", which offers a handling capacity of more than 2,100 units per day as well as IT solutions developed by Tanger Med, for the benefit of industry players and the port community such as the traceability of trucks between different areas.

## Industries : Tange Med Zones

#### Japanese MITSUI KINZOKU ACT sets up in Tanger Automotive City



Mitsui Kinzoku Act Corporation, specialised in the manufacture of functional components for the automotive sector, is setting up its first plant in Africa, in Tanger Automotive City.

The Japanese group, which has nearly 10 industrial sites worldwide, with 5 sales and R & D centres, now delivers customers such as Honda, Renault Nissan, Toyota, Chrysler, Ford, Volvo, Subaru and many other automotive giants.

The Moroccan production centre, specialised in the manufacture of automobile locks, will be built on approximately 20,000 m<sup>2</sup>, mobilise an overall investment of around 12.5 MEUR, and eventually employ around 300 people.

This new plant, in addition to direct delivery to Renault TangerMed, will serve as a production hub to deliver the group's European-based customers.

#### Inauguration of the new PREMO Group factory in Tanger Free Zone



PREMO, the Spanish leader in electronic components, inaugurated its new factory in Tanger Free Zone on July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Spanish group was founded in 1962 and specialises in the design and manufacture of inductive components used in several industrial sectors such as automation, renewable energy, telecommunications and automotive.

The PREMO Group supplies leading multinational companies such as GE Medical, Nokia, Alstom, Mercedes-Benz, Renault, Audi and Chrysler. It employs over 550 people with annual sales in excess of 22 MEUR.

#### Launch of the Automotive Logistics Platform (ALP)

Tanger Automotive City has started the construction works of its automotive logistics platform on a first section of approximately 20,000 m<sup>2</sup>.

This platform aims to improve the performance of the various equipment manufacturers, and meet their growing and future needs in terms of logistics services.

This new logistics offer will lead to the consolidation of auto parts, which will then be distributed to the target markets. It should process the input flows, mainly parts and structural elements, as well as outflows to European factories of manufacturers such as Renault, PSA and others



# **Tanger Med Foundation**

#### Clean beach Dalia 2018

For the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, the Tanger Med Foundation is supporting Dalia beach on behalf of TMPA as part of the national programme ''Clean Beach'' initiated by the Mohammed VI Foundation for the Environment.

The programme implemented by the Tanger Med Foundation includes the development of the beach, the installation of sanitation and leisure facilities, and cleaning and waste management equipment in addition to environmental awareness actions during the summer season.

The equipment provided has improved the safety, hygiene and entertainment conditions on the beach:

- 3 watchtowers
- 1 amphibious chair
- 1 playground pergola, 2 playgrounds, 2 inflatable structures
- Screener
- A stage connected to Dalia Radio
- Sports and animation areas
- Public grill area

- 1 multi-service block (Royal Gendarmerie, Auxiliary Forces, Civil Protection, Health Centre)
- 22 information and awareness panels
- 260 bins
- 150 sunshades
- 500 m of bridges
- 6 toilets blocks

In collaboration with the Sahel Association for Development and Culture, Tanger Med Foundation has stepped up its efforts this year to strengthen environmental education initiatives. A vast awareness programme has been initiated to mobilise the users of Dalia beach:

- Outreach campaign for artisan fishermen in partnership with the Technology Institute of Maritime Fisheries of Larache
- Eco-Container: Awareness interactive workshops for the conservation of the coastal zone
- The "Dalia Environment" route for children (Recycling, selective sorting...)
- The Dalia Beach Library.

Labeled Blue Flag since 2016, the beach Dalia is now positioned among the most popular beaches in Morocco and attracts Moroccan vacationers, Moroccans living abroad and foreigners. The spin-offs immediately revitalized the socio-economic growth of the village.



## The Dalia Beach Library

This year saw the creation of the Dalia Beach Library, a first in Morocco, which is a public reading area open to summer visitors. More than 1000 titles have been made available to readers of different age groups in different languages (Arabic, French, English and Spanish).

The selection took into account bestsellers of Arabic literature, great French classics, stories and tales for children... with a focus on the environment (Science, sustainable development...).

The animation of the library was ensured through the organisation of thematic reading workshops, 3 of which were dedicated to the environment:

- "Renewable energies and valuing of natural resources"
- "Climate change, a challenge for nature"
- "Green economy for responsible partnerships"

The Dalia Library has been a great success; it has been widely publicised in the national and international press, particularly on Al Jazeerah and Al Hurra channels who presented the project as being unique in the Arab world and an initiative encouraging reading.



#### Choir of Melloussa

Art and education are complementary in the sense that they serve educational purposes; in particular the child's personal development and the improvement of his or her thinking and imaginative abilities.

Based on this observation, Tanger Med Foundation launched the project of the Melloussa Choir, which aims to contribute to the development of children and promote extracurricular activities.

The young singers, supervised by the Association "Âme de Tanger" for the choir, presented a show during the ceremony of Tanger Med's Award for Excellence.

The project provided access to art and culture in rural areas and was enthusiastically received by both children and parents.











