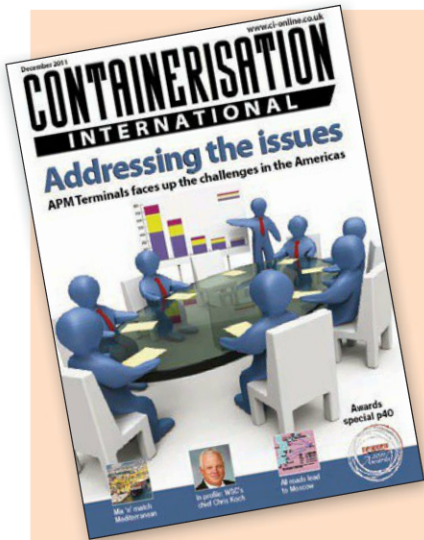


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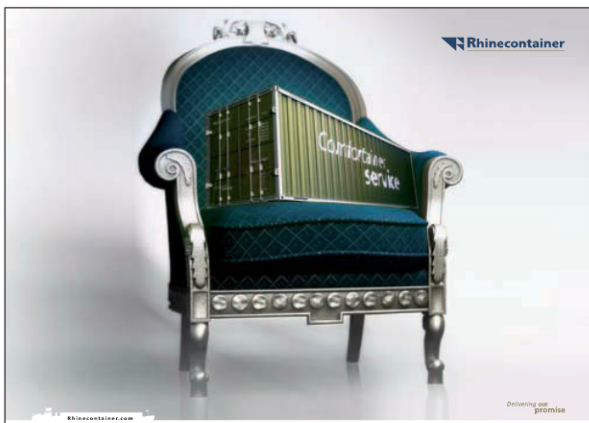
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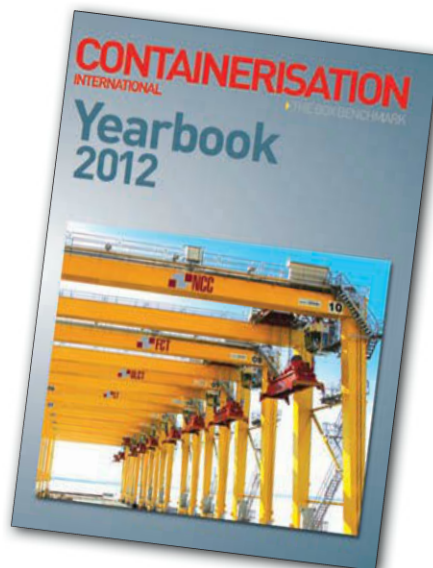
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Kenneth Glenn, the recently-appointed president of Singapore-based APL, speaks candidly to *Containerisation International* about his new job and the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead for him and the carrier in 2012 and beyond.

Freight rates in the Asia-Mediterranean trade were under pressure for most of 2011 as supply outpaced traffic growth. *Containerisation International* looks at what the future holds, identifying the main growth opportunities and challenges that service providers in the market face.

US-headquartered Atlantic Container Line (ACL) has completed a ground-breaking order for five new eco-ships that are different to any deployed before. ACL's ceo Andy Abbott explained to *Containerisation International* how these new vessels will affect its strategy and its transatlantic services. He also outlined the importance of the carrier's relationship with parent company Grimaldi.

The US Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) has its fingers in many pies at the moment, from making it easier to reference freight indices in shipper contracts to dealing with inquiries ranging from slow steaming, the impact of ending the European anti-trust immunity to cargo being diverted from US ports to Mexico and Canada. How will these inquiries, their outcomes and new FMC policies affect future ocean carrier strategies? *Containerisation International* investigates.

Shippers of perishable products are shifting to the container and liner services to move more of their cargo, with many factors pushing them in this direction. *Containerisation International* explains why this trend is irreversible, but outlines the challenges that are still involved and why some products will not transfer.

Turkey's ports have shown some very fast rates of growth in recent years and more container-handling capacity is needed, particularly in the Istanbul area where a number of international terminal operators are also keen to gain a foothold. *Containerisation International* reports.

New Jersey-headquartered e-commerce provider INTRRA has launched OceanMetrics, a new software package that provides users with a performance measurement platform for booking and on-time delivery. *Containerisation International* reports on how this new product could help foster stronger efficiencies and partnerships between ocean carriers and their customers.

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