

THE VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE

**UASC CHIEF
JORN HINGE**

UASC set to benefit from buying big

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SHIPPER SENTIMENT SURVEY

In our latest Asia poll, Evergreen and Hamburg Sud featured stongly, with the main issue being customer service. *Containerisation International* reports.

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TRADE STATISTICS

MDS Transmodal's forecast is for a global growth rate in 2013 of 7%, mirroring data published by Maersk Line and CMA CGM.

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FREIGHT FORECASTER

Exports out of Asia are expected to rise in 2013 but the continuing oversupply of tonnage will keep utilisation levels pegged back and any freight rate increases will be modest.

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FLEET QUARTERLY

Top carriers marginally increased their share of the fleet in the past quarter but trading remains difficult and there is some evidence that consolidation is in the air, as *Containerisation International* reports.

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Maersk Line vice president of Africa trades Anders Boenaes

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WORLD FLEET UPDATE

The supply of boxships grew much faster than trade in 2012 and lay-ups and demolition levels rose sharply. However, there was evidence that the slide in ship valuations was easing.

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BOX WORLD BRIEFING

NEWS ANALYSIS

- CMA CGM sells off segment to CMHI
- Cargo receivers called to account
- Tampa gets box boost from MSC

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BOX POOL UPDATE

The final quarter of 2012 saw lease rates fall further and prospects for the new year extremely challenging. *Containerisation International* reports.

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CHARTER RATES

The final quarter of 2012 saw further declines in charter rates across most size ranges. It looks as if the opening months of 2013 will also be very difficult.

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BIG IS BEST

Jorn Hinge, president and chief executive of United Arab Shipping Co, sees larger ships as vital in enabling UASC to defend its core market in the Middle East.

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TRADE ROUTE INTELLIGENCE

IN & OUT OF AFRICA

African box volumes are forecast to grow by nearly 10% in 2013. But there are a few obstacles to overcome along the way, as *Containerisation International* reports.

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CARGO COUPLING

Hapag-Lloyd and Hamburg Sud are still to exchange vows, but what are the implications for this or any other mega-carrier merger? asks *Containerisation International*.

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EYEBALL TO EYEBALL

Purpose-built reeferships versus containerised liner services. *Containerisation International* weighs up the options for shippers of perishable produce.

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Eyeball to eyeball

PORT-SIDE

A BALANCING ACT

APM Terminals ceo of the Middle East and Africa Peder Sondergaard, outlines to *Containerisation International*, the opportunities and risks of investing in the region.

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OPPORTUNITIES & RISK

BOXES ON A BULL RUN

With lessors bucking the muted trend of the liner industry, *Containerisation International* goes in search of the funding models that brought such success in 2012.

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PUTTING A SQUEEZE ON SHIPS

Banks will be taking a "firmer grip on shipping" in 2013, warns shipping accountants firm Moore Stephens.

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