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## COMMENT

Why now for Baltic Exchange's second crack at containers?

## **NEWS ROUND-UP**

Søren Skou sees clear evidence of container trades recovery

Rickmers future in doubt after crunch vote fails to hit quorum

Shippers fear Yang Ming failure

ILW/U members to vote on contract extension proposal.

#### **CARGOSPHERE BOSS** SAYS DIGITAL BUZZ KICK-STARTED BY MAERSK

Cloud-based freight rate platform sees interest from container lines for first time in 18 years of business

#### DIGITALISATION AND TRANSPARENCY TO TRANSFORM LINER SHIPPING

Sealntelligence Consulting chief executive Lars Jensen polishes his crystal. ball to see what container shipping may look like in 2025

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#### THE PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS OF BIG DATA

Former Inchcape Shipping Services chief executive Claus Hyldager tells James Baker why shipping needs to adopt new technology

#### DIGITALISATION: OVER-HYPED OR A GENUINE GAME-CHANGER FOR CONTAINER SHIPPING?

As ocean carriers look for start-ups with appropriate digital skills, they have to understand how to introduce outsiders into their core business





#### LOGISTICS SUPPLY CHAIN NEEDS TO MEET CHALLENGE **OF TECHNOLOGY**

Kuehne+Nagle chief calls for data drive to meet changing face of forwarding

#### CARRIERS AND TERMINALS MUST BE SMARTER, NOT BIGGER

Technology offers an opportunity to do business better, but it is not a panacea

#### NYK PREPARES FOR **NEW ERA WITH HISTORIC** CONTAINER LINE MERGER

Newly-promoted NYK Europe chief executive Svein Steimler talks to Hall Brown about the challenges faced by the Japanese shipowner

### CHINA PORTS GIANTS PLOT A COURSE THROUGH BOX LINE CONSOLIDATION

Cosco Shipping Ports goes for portcarrier partnership, while China Merchants Port emphasises the Port-Park-City model

#### TERMINALS FACE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES UNDER ALLIANCE RESHUFFLE

A 'carrier-centric' approach is necessary to avoid overcapacity

#### CARRIER COST-CUTTING **PUTS TRANSHIPMENT HUBS AT RISK**

New study claims hard-up carriers will soon limit the number of hubs frequented, forcing ports to prove their network value

#### HUMBER PORTS LOOK TO LIFE AFTER BREXIT

Despite a reliance on shortsea trade with Europe, terminals on the Humber estuary are taking the threat of leaving the EU in their stride

#### **EQUIPMENT IMBALANCE** HITS BRAZIL TRADES

Low import figures means both boxes and vessels are in short supply

#### BETWEEN THE LINES: ALLIANCES ANALYSED II

Sealntel round off the alliance capacity injection analysis with the transatlantic trade

### FREIGHT RATES

Asia-Europe spot rates continue to hold firm

#### CONSOLIDATION A THREAT TO BOX TERMINAL TARIFFS

Carrier mergers expose formerly hidden pricing plans



SHIPPERS SCRUTINIS CARRIERS OVER EUROPE-ASIA CONGESTION

Shippers are unhappy

## CHARTER RATES

Charter market resurgence starts to fizzle

### LOAD FACTORS

Competition pours heat on the Pacific trade

#### WORLD FLEET UPDATE

Fleet growth eases but order overhang remains in place

### TRADE STATISTICS

European trade on the up

