

## Press Information

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### **NUTEP terminal project to bring first 10,000 TEU vessels into the Black Sea**

The construction of a deepwater berth at the NUTEP terminal in the Black Sea port of Novorossiysk will allow Russia to offer regular year-round ice-free calls for vessels up to 10,000 TEU for the first time.

NUTEP, a subsidiary of DeloPorts and sister company to multimodal transport specialist Ruscon, is already the largest container terminal in the port but currently handles most deepsea cargo via transshipment at Istanbul or Piraeus.

Konstantin Kalugin, CCO of NUTEP, says: “The new deepwater quay will alter the status quo on the Black Sea and change existing supply chain networks in the region. It will reduce both shipping and terminal costs for clients and increase delivery speed by 4-12 days for cargo headed for Russia.”

The first piles have been driven for the new 341m quay after two years of planning and approvals, with completion scheduled for late 2018. The berth depth of 15.6m, compared with two berths of 12.3m today, will increase LOA (load line) to 320m from 270m. This will allow 8,000 – 10,000 TEU container ships to make regular calls to the Russian port for the first time.

The 26.5 hectare NUTEP terminal, already the best equipped in the region, will double in capacity to handle 700,000 TEU per annum as part of the project.

DeloPorts also owns and operates a grain terminal and a bunkering services company in Novorossiysk. Like NUTEP, the facilities have a technologically advanced infrastructure with equipment from leading manufacturers.

A DeloPorts spokesman says the NUTEP expansion project is an integral part of the company’s strategy to develop the stevedoring assets of the group. “We are investing in our facilities to ensure we can continue to offer our customers exactly what they need: fast, reliable and cost-effective services.”

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**Note to editors:**

Photographs can be downloaded from the Dunelm website  
<http://www.dunelmpr.co.uk/Ruscon-Photogallery.htm>

The captions read:

*“Construction of a deepwater berth at the NUTEP terminal in the Black Sea port of Novorossiysk has commenced.”*

*“Konstantin Kalugin, CCO of NUTEP.”*

**DELO**

DELO Group, a privately-owned company established in 1993, employs 2,000 people and offers a full range of services including agency, cargo handling and vessel bunkering in the port of Novorossiysk; road, rail and multimodal container services, freight forwarding, customs clearance and other services.

DELO Group is the parent company of DELO Ports, which owns a number of port terminals in the south of Russia. DELO Group also owns RUSCON which specializes in logistics, off-dock terminal and transportation services, controlling several intermodal, trucking, logistics and agency companies in the main gateways of Russia and FSU.

**NUTEP**

NUTEP is the flagship terminal in DELO Ports and has been the biggest container facility in the port of Novorossiysk since 2004. The terminal capacity of 350,000TEU will be doubled by end-2018 through construction of Russia's deepest container quay, capable of handling vessels up to 10,000TEU.

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