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## **Hapag-Lloyd upgrades direct EAX service between Europe and Australia**

### **New port calls in Fos sur Mer and Pointe de Galets / Short transit times from Europe to Australia unchanged / Italian port switched to Salerno on Northbound leg**

Hapag-Lloyd further improves the Europe Australia Express service (EAX), one of its prime products. As of December the French ports Fos sur Mer and Pointe de Galets (La Réunion) will be added to the EAX rotation on the Southbound leg. Furthermore, the Italian call on the Northbound leg will be switched from Genoa to Salerno. With this step, Hapag-Lloyd will improve direct port coverage in Southern Italy while at the same time maintaining good coverage of Northern Italy via other Hapag-Lloyd services and a good train connection. South Italian customers will also benefit from a direct export service to Northern Europe.

The competitive transit times of 30 to 36 days from Northern Europe to Australia will remain unchanged. The new port rotation (as of “Box Emma” sailing from Tilbury on 11 December) will be as follows: Tilbury – Hamburg – Rotterdam – Le Havre – Fos – Genoa – Damietta – (Suez Passage) – Pointe de Galets – Fremantle – Melbourne – Sydney – Adelaide – Singapore – Pt. Kelang – Chennai – Colombo – Cochin – (Suez Passage) – Damietta – Malta – Salerno – Tilbury

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