

### **Rhenus Air & Ocean – a hub for goods transport across the globe**

**Whether a sweatshirt produced in Asia has to be transported to a European department store in time for the new autumn collection, spare parts for automotive production are to be flown to Mexico or parts of an oil rig need to be shipped to Australia – Rhenus Air & Ocean, the air and ocean freight division of the Rhenus Group, is always up to the task when long distances have to be covered or transports are urgent.**

Air and ocean freight transport are more important than ever in the modern, globalised world. Continents are growing ever closer, while the trade of components and goods is on the rise. Europe and Asia are currently considered Rhenus Air & Ocean's main areas of focus, but North and South America, as well as Africa, are becoming increasingly important. Long-term expansion and integration with international partners are its primary goals.

That is why it has founded several new subsidiaries and offices specialised in air and ocean freight in recent times. This has included opening companies in New Zealand, Australia and Cambodia. The business division of Rhenus Air & Ocean also expanded in Brazil with the acquisition of the company Pirâmide SeaAir. An expansion of its road-freight network in Asia, as well as the establishment of logistics centres in Malaysia, Hong Kong and Vietnam have perfectly complemented Rhenus' global growth strategy.

#### **Rhenus Air Freight: high-flyers**

Sometimes deliveries are particularly urgent. Pressure on goods manufacturers is constantly growing, supplier companies are scattered across the world and product cycles are getting shorter. The air freight specialists at Rhenus are able to take on individual modules or entire transportation chains. This includes coordinating goods delivery, handling, temporary storage, proper packaging and customs clearance, as well as additional services, such as order processing and booking partial or full charters.

Since its acquisition of Transport Management International Holding (TMI) in 2007, the Rhenus Group has been one of the largest air freight specialists in the Netherlands. The sites of the Air Freight business division at Rhenus are located

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primarily in Europe and Asia, but Rhenus Air & Ocean is also active in South America. The logistics service provider's air and ocean freight network is also supported by a wide variety of partners across the world.

### **Gateways in Amsterdam and Frankfurt am Main**

Rhenus Air Freight's gateways, which serve as air freight hubs, are located at Amsterdam Airport Schiphol and Frankfurt Airport. Goods to be sent to over 40 import and export destinations are consolidated at the gateway in Amsterdam. Further air freight gateways in London and Madrid are planned for the coming years. The gateway in Frankfurt's CargoCity-Süd was opened in September 2017. Both gateways are located only about 450 kilometres away from each other, and can therefore serve as alternative destinations for each other. Both air freight gateways connect Europe with Asia, America and Africa. The gateway in Frankfurt operates around-the-clock. Temperature-controlled goods and hazardous materials can also be handled here.

### **Special services for special cargo**

Alongside conventional air freight products, Rhenus Air Freight, in collaboration with its subsidiary Copex, also takes on transports in the Netherlands of particularly high-quality and perishable goods such as fruit, flowers and valuable objects, as well as live animals. Its services include precautionary measures and follow-up work for animal transports, providing refrigerated transport containers for medical and pharmaceutical products and organising insurance for high-quality and theft-prone products.

### **Long routes and affordable transports with Rhenus Ocean Freight**

Many products used in everyday life are transported as ocean cargo – sometimes they even need to be shipped halfway around the world. These include car parts, machines, electronics, textiles and non-perishable foods. Rhenus' ocean freight network was consolidated significantly with the integration of Maxx Holding and Contargo in 2005, as well as the acquisition of the Interspe Hamann Group in 2006. Rhenus Ocean Freight is now active in many significant European ports such as Antwerp, Rotterdam, Bremen, Hamburg, Marseille, Barcelona, Valencia and Genoa, as well as a number of Asian ports with their own sites, on top of many other important ports with offices, terminals and long-term partners – for

example, there are also offices in Brazil and the US. Rhenus Ocean Freight's main transport corridors exist between Europe and Asia.

The Rhenus Group operates as an independent NVOCC ('Non Vessel Owning Common Carrier') and follows a core carrier policy with several shipping companies. This is how it manages to offer freight capacities needed during peak season at competitive prices. The Ocean Freight business division of Rhenus offers fixed weekly consolidated container shipments from European and Asian ports, which provides customers with planning security, and takes on customs clearance for goods on request. It also offers added-value services such as packaging, warehousing and labelling. Rhenus Project Logistics is utilised if special transports and heavy transports are to be carried out, while the Rhenus Offshore Logistics unit attends to solutions for commissioning and maintaining wind farms.

### **Short routes to Western European ports with the LCL ocean cargo gateway in Hilden, Germany**

At the ocean freight terminal opened in the western German town of Hilden in 2017, goods from different customers – especially trade, industrial and investment goods – are handled, consolidated and distributed across the world in containers from the ports of Rotterdam and Antwerp. More than half of the cargo transported by Rhenus Ocean Freight in Europe goes through Western European ports.

Goods transported from Asia as ocean cargo are also fed into the bulk cargo network of Rhenus in Europe. Rhenus' closely interlinked network of land routes makes it possible to rapidly deliver products. Transports to major cities such as Barcelona, London, Vienna and Milan take place five times per week, while Paris, Warsaw and Prague are served several times per week. Hilden in Germany is Rhenus Ocean Freight's first gateway. Further gateways will be established in Hamburg, Milan, Barcelona and Saint Petersburg in the coming years.

### **Certified quality**

Rhenus also carries out the pre-carriage and on-carriage of air and ocean freight traffic. The logistics service provider thus offers multimodal solutions and links air and ocean freight with rail or lorry transports where practicable. The Air & Ocean Freight business division has also met the requirements of important safety and

quality certifications and audits. These include the ISO 9000 quality management standard, SQAS (Safety and Quality Assessment System), DIN EN ISO 14001/50001 environmental and energy management standards, as well as certification as an authorised economic operator (AEO). IT solutions and interfaces that are used in this business division also fulfil the highest security standards.

### About Rhenus

**The Rhenus Group is one of the leading logistics specialists with global business operations and annual turnover amounting to EUR 5.4 billion. 33,500 employees work at 820 business sites and develop innovative solutions along the complete supply chain. Whether providing transport, warehousing, customs clearance or value-added services, the family business pools its operations in various business units where the needs of customers are the major focus at all times.**

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