

## Successful Port Integration Day in Hamburg

compacer and HPC show how ports and logistics companies can equip themselves for the future

**Gärtringen/Hamburg, February 28, 2020 – Renowned experts from the logistics and port industry met in Hamburg these days to discuss the necessary integration and digitalization of their processes. Together with HPC (Hamburger Port Consulting) the specialists from compacer informed the participants about the many opportunities of integration and the trends of digitalization.**

The focus was on lectures and discussions about the competitiveness of the industry and the role of integration, the provision of real-time information and digital transformation. The participants of the Port Integration Day, which took place in the premises of HPC directly at the Port of Hamburg, were particularly inspired by the exchange of concrete practical examples and international lighthouse projects.

Lumir Boureau, managing director of compacer GmbH: "We are very pleased that we were able to realize this expert day together with HPC. HPC's experience with regard to processes in ports, terminals and the logistics environment and our expertise in integration, IoT and blockchain have brought a noticeable increase in know-how to the participants who came from all over Europe". Topics such as digitization and integration in ports, but also the differences and similarities between Industry 4.0 and Supply Chain 4.0, the possibilities of using blockchain technology, the integration of port communication systems and the integration of different port systems were highlighted.

The increasing integration in ports allows the establishment of Port Community Systems, which offer a kind of service web shop to the individual stakeholders. Cross-port integration and data exchange also lead to an ecosystem, with the focus on quality assurance of services and better transparency for the customer. In the near future, it will not be individual ports that will be in competition with each other, but entire ecosystems.

Again and again, the question of how to further digitalize a port and what possibilities there are for bringing together the heterogeneous information systems and their processes was raised. "We were able to show how our integration platform edbic, which is already in use in several ports in Europe, helps to link systems together. Our approach 'integrate anything with everything' has already proven itself many times over and was also discussed with interest at the Port Integration Day," says Boureau.

Boureau and the specialists from HPC pointed out that it is fundamentally important to understand one's own processes so that they can be successfully digitized in the next step. It was pointed out that random data collection is not target-oriented and that it is much more important to collect and combine the right data. The only way to draw the appropriate conclusions was to do so. Particularly in the area of predictive maintenance, it is possible to derive measures that could be integrated into container gantry cranes, for example, says Boureau.

More about the edbic integration platform at: <https://compacer.com/en/edbic/>

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