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- ✓ Efficient
- ✓ Flexible
- ✓ Sustainable





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One single window for all your transport between the seaports and the European market. European Gateway Services (EGS) offers an extensive European network with highly frequent connections and a comprehensive range of services. Simply let us know when you want to receive your containers - or, in the opposite direction, when your containers need to be in the port - and we take care of everything! Reliable, efficient, flexible and sustainable, always at competitive rates. Shipping lines, forwarders, transport companies and shippers alike can benefit.





## Extensive European network

Throughout the entire European market, European Gateway Services has an extensive and expanding network of inland terminals. Some of these inland terminals also function as 'extended gates', direct extensions of the deepsea terminals in Rotterdam. There is no need to arrange customs formalities in the seaport. It is not until the cargo leaves the extended gate - often close to your warehouse or production location - that these customs formalities need to be completed.

Modality  
versus  
CO<sub>2</sub> emission



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## Sustainably by barge and rail

All inland terminals in the network of European Gateway Services are connected by barge and/or rail with Rotterdam and other seaports, often daily and sometimes even several times a day. Immediately after having been discharged from the deepsea vessels, containers can travel onward to the hinterland and vice versa. Choosing European Gateway Services means choosing reliability, efficiency, flexibility and sustainability. Your carbon footprint will decrease substantially.

Furthermore, numerous connections deeper into Europe are available from the inland terminals, also for continental cargo. European Gateway Services maintains all connections in cooperation with established partners with proven track records in efficient barge and rail transport.

The inland terminals in the EGS network are also interconnected by barge, rail and/or road. This for example makes it possible to efficiently reposition and smartly use empty containers for return cargo.



## Synchromodal, so optimal

European Gateway Services stands for optimal reliability and security of delivery. We make sure that your container always cost-efficiently reaches its destination right on time. To achieve this, European Gateway Services operates synchromodal. This approach offers the efficiency and sustainability that logistics requires, both today and tomorrow. Synchromodal transport is a further continuation of termodal transport, in which the mode(s) of transport and route(s) are consistently selected based on current circumstances and with the customer's required delivery time as a starting point. EGS always selects the optimal transport combination for you,



carefully weighing all variables - available modes of transport, occupancy rates, routes, transit times, possible disruptions. If necessary, the modality is even changed while the cargo is already en route. Synchromodal transport ultimately yields a reliable service provision at competitive costs in which optimum use is made of modes of transport and infrastructure whilst drastically reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

## A-modal booking

For this synchromodal approach to work, it however is essential that you book 'a-modally'. Instead of giving the logistics service provider a detailed transport order - with a fixed mode of transport, route and departure time - synchromodality only requires that the pick-up location of the container and the time when a container needs to

be delivered to a specific location are specified. In other words, the client books a-modally. He commissions EGS to take control. For each transport order, EGS selects the best synchromodal solution for the customer. This approach allows for the maximum utilisation of sustainable transport by barge and rail, which also leads to an optimum use of infrastructure and resources. The result is a much better organisation of transport, with a reliable (just-in-time) conveyance via the inland terminals.





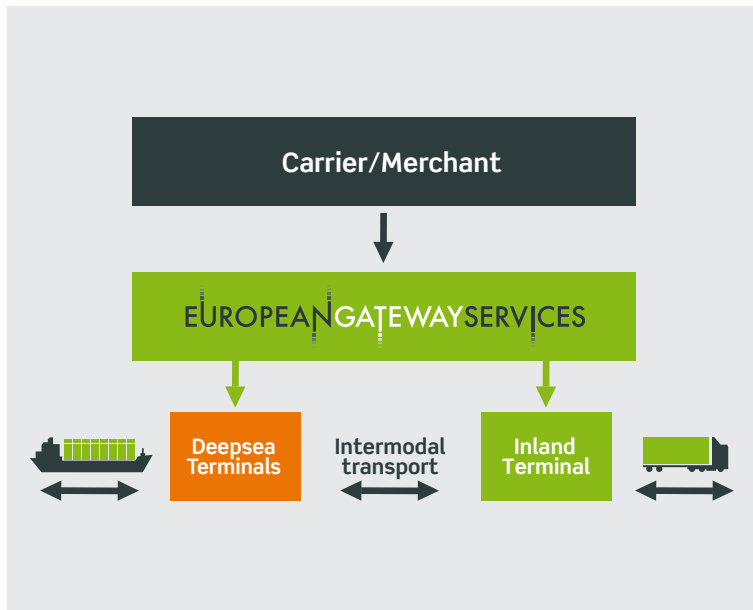
## Rotterdam: first, but also last port of call in Europe

For many deepsea shipping lines, Rotterdam is the first port of call in Europe. This allows European Gateway Services to provide you with the shortest transit times to your final destination. While the seagoing vessel is en route from Rotterdam to the next European port of call, your cargo is already headed into Europe by barge or train. In many cases, Rotterdam is also the last port of call in Europe and therefore the best route for your overseas-bound export cargo.

## Scale makes a difference

As Europe's leading container port, Rotterdam constitutes a crucial hub for European Gateway Services. The container flows which converge here form a strong foundation for an elaborate network with highly frequent connections. Both smaller and larger customers stand to benefit. European Gateway Services offers you a one-stop-shop for all your European destinations.

✓ An integrated network with highly frequent connections at competitive rates



*EGS brings the deepsea terminals right up to your front door.*

### Significant cashflow advantages

Using Rotterdam and the Netherlands for your European imports yields significant cashflow advantages. Through a so-called fiscal representation, VAT is not payable until the cargo is delivered to its final destination and if relevant outstanding VAT payments can be offset against any refunds. In many other European countries, VAT payment is due the moment cargo arrives in the port and any offsetting does not take place until later. Considering the large amounts which are often involved, this VAT shift positively impacts your cash flow.

### Logistics-minded Customs

Customs procedures in Rotterdam are handled quickly and efficiently. All administrative formalities take place electronically. Inspections are fully integrated in the logistics process. Furthermore, European Gateway Services has customs licenses for paperless transport to various locations in the Netherlands as well as in Belgium and Germany. It is not until there that you will need to arrange your customs formalities.

### AEO-certified

European Gateway Services is an Authorised Economic Operator (AEO). This quality mark of Customs is a guarantee of safety and reliability; it allows customers to benefit from major customs simplifications. As a result, your cargo moves through the logistics chain even faster and safer..



# All ports, all terminals

European Gateway Services is a subsidiary of Hutchison Ports ECT Rotterdam, one of Europe's leading and most advanced container terminal for more than 50 years. Established in 2010, European Gateway Services is the answer to the continuous process of scaling-up in container transport. Increasingly larger deepsea ships discharge more and more containers onto the quay in one single call. This requires new European transport solutions. European Gateway Services reliably and sustainably connects the deepsea ports with the whole of Europe.



✓ Sustainable answer to continuous scaling-up



## Wide range of extra services

European Gateway Services truly means smooth logistics. We have a solution for each logistics issue. From deepsea terminal to warehouse and vice versa, we can arrange everything for you. In addition to container handling, all our participating inland terminals also offer temporary (customs) warehousing, pre-transport and post-transport, gas measurements, reefer facilities, empty depot and more. And all this in a secure environment, of course.

## Transparency through E-services

On more and more routes of European Gateway Services, you can access the status of deepsea ships, barges, trains and containers real time. Through our website or through the convenient EGS E-Gate app, you can easily check the presence or estimated time of arrival 24/7. This is possible at many deepsea terminals in Rotterdam as well as at numerous inland terminals throughout Europe. The website [www.europeangatewayservices.com](http://www.europeangatewayservices.com) offers you all the details on the inland terminals participating in our network, the many connections, the comprehensive range of supplementary services and more...



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✓ EGS is the synchromodal service provider of choice, offering the market one single, comprehensive network solution for European hinterland transport

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