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PRESS RELEASE



The Port of Setúbal signs a contract for the Expansion of the Coelho da Mota Ro-Ro Terminal

The port administration company APSS - Administração dos Portos de Setúbal e Sesimbra, SA awarded, on 19th May, the contract for the downstream expansion of the Coelho da Mota Ro-Ro Terminal. The contract was signed during the ceremony held in celebration of the Port of Setúbal Day.

The works projected to be carried out by the company Constructions Pragosa, SA, shall begin in June and shall continue through to the end of 2015. This development implies a € 2.9 million investment and is part of the list of priority projects in PETI 3+, presented by the Portuguese Government in 2014. A further 5.8 hectares of embankment is due to be built in the terminal to improve the services of import and export of cars. This will offer added-value services in what concerns import and export of vehicles, currently being run as a second-tier carpark.

The Port of Setúbal aims to become a ro-ro hub for intercontinental crosstrade connecting the Atlantic, African and Asian routes to the Mediterranean lines. It also aims to enhance the distribution of cars in Portugal and Spain, up to Madrid, with specialised logistic activity areas inside the port.

The Ro-Ro movement of new cars in the Port of Setúbal is already a known fact, representing more than 90 % of national traffic. In the first four months of 2015, Ro-Ro traffic grew by 19 %, moving around 58 thousand vehicles, when compared to the 48.5 thousand moved in 2014.



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The Port of Setúbal is the main port for the export of vehicles produced by Volkswagen Autoeuropa, for both Europe and Asia, as well as for the bi-weekly departure of direct shipments to China. The Autoeuropa Terminal, integrated in the Coelho da Mota Ro-Ro Terminal, is the 2nd largest Terminal directly operated by Volkswagen Europe, the first being Emden, Germany.

With several regular Grimaldi lines, VW Logistics, NYK and Suardiaz, which link Setúbal to Europe, Asia, the Mediterranean and to the United States, the terminal has already welcomed in 2015, another EML line, which, in addition to scaling European ports, it handles the crosstrade between the Atlantic, African and Asian routes and the Mediterranean lines, as well as a further Grimaldi service that offers the novelty of a direct service to Baltimore, USA.



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