

Intermodal transport

Hupac Group records around 8% growth in traffic

Chiasso, 31.8.2018 In the first half of 2018 the Hupac Group achieved an increase in traffic of 7.7%. Transalpine transport through Switzerland developed particularly well with an increase of 9.4%. Since June 2018 ERS Railways has also contributed to the positive Group result.

The Swiss combined transport operator Hupac closed the first half of 2018 with a 7.7% increase in traffic. In total, the Group carried 439,409 road consignments or 805,693 TEUs – amounting to 30,000 more than in the same period of last year. Traffic on the north-south axis in transit via Switzerland developed particularly well. Here Shuttle Net and Company Shuttle units of Hupac Intermodal achieved growth of 9.3%.

ERS Railways made its first contribution to the positive result of non-transalpine traffic (+6.5%). The combined transport operator, based in Rotterdam and Hamburg, has been part of the Hupac Group since the beginning of June 2018. ERS operates over 100 container trains per week between the German seaports and various southern German destinations. Since August 2018 the company has also been managing the shuttle train Rotterdam-Kornwestheim of the Hupac Group.

Hupac expects continued constant growth for the second half of 2018. The company's investment strategy ensures that sufficient resources are available for the increasing traffic volumes. For example, the wagon fleet is expected to grow by 15% this year. The first preparatory works are being carried out on the Milano Smistamento and Brwinów (Warsaw) terminal projects. By the end of the year, Hupac's eight multi-system locomotives will be handed over to the rail partners and put into operation - a contribution to overcome the continuing quality bottlenecks in the rail network with modern, cross-border locomotives.

Traffic development in the 1 st half of 2018	January-June 2018	January-June 2017	in %
Number of road shipments			
Transalpine via CH	278,038	254,229	9.4
Transalpine via A	18,197	18,798	- 3.2
Transalpine via F	1,532	1,912	- 19.9
Non-transalpine	141,642	132,985	6.5
Total	439,409	407,924	7.7

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