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Hapag-Lloyd strengthens presence in the Middle East with new office in Oman

Today, Hapag-Lloyd officially opened a new office in Muscat, Oman, enhancing the company's strategic foothold and service capabilities in the Gulf region and bringing tangible benefits to its customers.

With a population of approximately 5.57 million, Oman's economy is experiencing steady and sustainable growth. Major international financial institutions project real GDP growth between 2.3 and 3.1 percent in 2025, supported by the country's diversification efforts under the national Vision 2040 plan. While oil and gas continue to play a vital role, Oman's expanding non-oil sectors – such as logistics, manufacturing, tourism, renewable energy, mining, and fisheries – are contributing to the diversification and resilience of Oman's economy.

Oman's geographic position along the Arabian Sea and the Gulf of Oman makes it a critical logistics hub for regional and global trade. Hapag-Lloyd maintains a strong network in Oman, offering weekly services via Sohar, a key gateway for imports and exports, while Salalah functions as a major transshipment hub – also for Hapag-Lloyd's network as part of the Gemini Cooperation. In 2024, Oman's ports handled more than 4 million TEUs, reflecting the country's growing role in global supply chains. Oman exports petrochemicals, petroleum, natural gas, metals, aluminum, seafood, imports machinery, consumer goods, transport equipment, and mineral products.

"Opening our new office in Muscat marks an important milestone in strengthening our presence in the Middle East," said **Lars Sorensen, Senior Managing Director Region Middle East at Hapag-Lloyd**. "Oman offers an excellent combination of strategic location, advanced infrastructure, and a forward-looking economy. Setting up a dedicated and highly

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qualified local team enables us to work even more closely with our customers and partners, supporting the country's growing role as a trade hub in the Gulf area.”

With its new office in Muscat, Hapag-Lloyd reinforces its long-term commitment to quality and to serving customers throughout the region with reliable and efficient shipping solutions.

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About Hapag-Lloyd

With a fleet of 305 modern container ships and a total transport capacity of 2.5 million TEU, Hapag-Lloyd is one of the world's leading liner shipping companies. In the **Liner Shipping segment**, the Company has around 14,000 employees and 400 offices in 140 countries. Hapag-Lloyd has a container capacity of 3.8 million TEU – including one of the largest and most modern fleets of reefer containers. A total of 130 liner services worldwide ensure fast and reliable connections between more than 600 ports on all the continents. In the **Terminal & Infrastructure segment**, Hapag-Lloyd has equity stakes in 21 terminals in Europe, Latin America, the United States, India and North Africa. Around 3,000 employees are assigned to the Terminal & Infrastructure segment and provide complementary logistics services at selected locations in addition to the terminal activities.

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