

GULFTAINER PULSE

OUR PRESENCE



CEO MESSAGE



As we look towards the next year and plan our budget for 2025 it is really gratifying to listen to the thoughts and projections of the diverse Gulftainer management.

Originating from different countries, with a library of knowledge in the industry, all remain focused, and all remain positive. This, in turn, is filtered down to the entire staff of the company who have seemingly all embraced the "family" ethos that makes this company so special. We are not the biggest port operator and logistics provider, by far, but we are unique in our self-belief, our dedication to "get the job done" and our desire to excel at what we do as a family to ensure that Gulftainer continues to grow, whilst maintaining its personal touch throughout.

We don't just have customers; we partner with customers. That's why, we will grow in success and size. The family of Gulftainer ensures this.

Peter Richards Group CEO, Gulftainer



UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

GULFTAINER WELCOMED M/V MARTIN ONE AT SHARJAH CONTAINER TERMINAI



Gulftainer welcomed M/V MARTIN ONE at Sharjah Container Terminal operated by Hikaru Line.

This will further strengthen trade ties between Sharjah and East Africa, positioning Sharjah as a competitive logistics hub.

GULFTAINER AND VERTOMCORY ANNOUNCED THAT THEY INTEND TO FORM A STRATEGIC JOINT VENTURE

Gulftainer and VertomCory organised a reception at the Sofitel Dubai Jumeirah Beach Hotel, UAE to announce that they intend to form a strategic joint venture (JV) in the shipping sector.

This intended JV will offer a comprehensive range of services, including vessel and port agency services, customs clearance, logistics, offshore supply, consumables, bunkering, ship-to-shore equipment, and diving services to ship owners, charterers, and cargo owners. In addition, the JV will provide insurance, husbandry, hub services, and information and documentation management.



BUNKERING AT KHORFAKKAN CONTAINER TERMINAL

Bunkering at ports involves the essential process of supplying fuel to ships. Maintaining quality control is crucial to ensure that the fuel meets the required standards, and all operations must comply with port regulations and safety protocols. Additionally, environmental compliance is vital to minimise emissions and prevent spills.

Khorfakkan Container Terminal provided bunkering solutions and successfully bunkered the ZHONG GU XI AN, a SeaLead charter vessel.





UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

MOMENTUM LOGISTICS EXHIBITED AT THE GLOBAL FREIGHT SUMMIT



Momentum Logistics exhibited at the Global Freight Summit (GFS), an event for professionals from freight and logistics industries.

GFS brought together leaders, experts, and innovators to discuss the latest trends, technologies, and challenges shaping the global freight and supply chain sectors. The summit featured conferences, networking opportunities, and presentations from key players in the industry.

MOMENTUM LOGISTICS EXHIBITED AT LOGIMOTION



As logistics industry undergoes rapid transformation through technological advancements, it was invaluable for Momentum Logistics team to hear from the thought leaders and engage in discussions on the future of supply chain solutions.

They showcased their logistics solutions at the inaugural edition of Logimotion, a platform for logistics, supply chain, and mobility industry professionals.

MOMENTUM LOGISTICS PROVIDED CONTAINER SERVICES TO EMIRATES RUGBY 7s

Momentum Logistics was selected as the service provider for container leasing and transport services for the Emirates Rugby 7s.

Momentum Logistics' container services and in-house transportation teams worked together to deliver a seamless experience for the biggest sports and entertainment festival in the Middle East.





MOMENTUM LOGISTICS

GULFTAINER WELCOMED CMA CGM NAVEGANTES AT JUBAIL COMMERCIAL PORT

Gulftainer welcomed CMA CGM NAVEGANTES at Jubail Commercial Port (JCP) as part of a new fortnightly LMX service.

This addition of the Levant Middle East Express service links JCP with Iskenderun and Mersin in Türkiye, Jebel Ali in the UAE, and Beirut in Lebanon. This service facilitates the export of industrial and petrochemical products from the factories of Jubail Industrial City.



GULFTAINER SHARES INSIGHTS ON INTER-MODAL RAIL HUB



Gulftainer's Group Chief Operating Officer Daniel Wright shared his insights on how rail expansion is driving logistics growth, in an article in the Logistics Middle East.

He explained how the addition of rail infrastructure to Jubail's Commercial Port in Saudi Arabia has enhanced Gulftainer's intermodal offering. With experience in operating an intermodal rail hub in Jubail, the company can also manage other rail hubs, whether at ports, dry ports, logistics zones, or inland hubs.

20 NEW CURTAIN-SIDE TRUCKS ADDED TO MOMENTUM LOGISTICS FLEET IN SAUDI ARABIA

Momentum Logistics continues to build its capability to cater to the fast-growing logistics sector in Saudi Arabia. It has recently added 20 new curtain-side trucks to its growing fleet.

It also partners with Jubail Container Terminal to offer comprehensive end-toend supply chain solutions to customers, including direct inland connections to the Eastern Province and Riyadh.





THE AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA VISITED IRAQ CONTAINER TERMINAL AND UMM QASR LOGISTICS CENTRE

The Ambassador of the Republic of Austria, His Excellency Andrea Nasi and Commercial Counsellor Mr. Herwig Neuper, visited our Iraq Container Terminal (ICT) at Umm Qasr Port and Umm Qasr Logistics Centre (UQLC).

The ambassador was given a presentation on ICT and UQLC, followed by the tour of the facilities where he was briefed on the new equipment and infrastructure investments that Gulftainer is making to the terminal's assets. UQLC currently handles project cargo, and is expanding sevenfold to 350,000 sqm, equivalent to approximately 50 football fields.

Gulftainer has been operating in Iraq since 2010, the Iraq Container Terminal has been fully operational since 2012. It is located close to the Umm Qasr Logistics Centre, a fully integrated logistics services bonded facility.











IRAQ CONTAINER TERMINAL WELCOMED THE MAIDEN CALL OF THE M/V ASTERIOS

Iraq Container Terminal successfully handled the maiden call of the M/V Asterios, a stateof-the-art container vessel with a capacity of 1,836 TEUs, operated by Folk Maritime.

This vessel is part of the India Gulf Express Service (IGXS), which connects Nhava Sheva and Mundra ports in India to Dammam port in Saudi Arabia, and to Umm Qasr port in Iraq. This direct service enhances connectivity between these key ports and facilitate faster movement of goods.



The new route strengthens trade ties between Iraq, Saudi Arabia, and India, driving transformational trade growth and positioning Umm Qasr as a competitive logistics hub.

GULFTAINER HANDLED 85 TONNE OUT OF GUAGE CARGO UNIT

Gulftainer's Iraq Container Terminal (ICT) team successfully handled 104 tonnes of cargo, discharged by APL CAIRO, a CMA CGM vessel under the BIGEX service. They efficiently executed the full logistics scope of work, 'from shore to yard', including the handling of 85-tonne Out of Gauge unit. The cargo was then moved from ICT to the Umm Qasr Logistics Centre for unloading.

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IRAQ

MOMENTUM LOGISTICS DELIVERED EQUIPMENT TO IRAQ

Another flawless UAE-to-Iraq shipment by Momentum Logistics. Teams in the UAE and Iraq worked seamlessly together to deliver break bulk cargo to Iraq, leveraging the strength of Gulftainer group.

At Khorfakkan Container Terminal, the team efficiently loaded cargo for prompt transport to Sharjah Inland Container Depot. The cargo was then exported through Sharjah Container Terminal to Irag. Upon arrival at the Iraq Container Terminal, the team ensured a precise offloading process, and smooth customs clearance facilitated a swift and smooth final step.



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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CANAVERAL CARGO TERMINAL EXPANDS AND ADDS NEW **WAREHOUSES**

Gulftainer expands operations with new warehousing facility in Canaveral Cargo Terminal (CCT), with the recent addition of five new warehouses, offering a total bonded storage capacity of over 56,000sqft. This development underscores Gulftainer USA's commitment to invest in enhancing its infrastructure to meet the growing demands of customers and the regional economy.

The state-of-the-art, fully enclosed facilities are designed to support a wide range of cargo types, ensuring efficient storage, handling and distribution. These warehouses are strategically located within CCT, in close proximity to the quay, facilitating seamless connectivity to transportation networks and enhancing supply chain efficiency.







UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CANAVERAL CARGO TERMINAL MAINTAINS ITS RECORD WITH THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD FOR THE 9TH YEAR IN A ROW

Partnering in Progress

GT USA and Canaveral Cargo Terminal (CCT) has had the honour of working alongside the United States Coast Guard since 2015, for nearly 10 years, ensuring that our partnership has flourished trade, whilst also maintaining a safe and secure facility in Port Canaveral. Together we will continue to expand the trade from Port Canaveral.

We deeply value our long-standing partnership with the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and extend our sincere gratitude for their service and support.

CCT is a multi-purpose cargo terminal strategically located, in Port Canaveral, Florida near the Atlantic Ocean and major shipping routes. It continues to serve carriers as a key alternative maritime shipping hub in the region. In addition to handling imports and exports, it offers value-added services such as cargo inventory management, container management and repair, expertise in break-bulk cargo handling, reefer services and cross-freight solutions. GT USA is a leading regional provider of customised supply chain and logistics solutions with a global footprint.



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Canaveral Cargo Terminal (CCT) in Florida has maintained its record with the United States Coast Guard (USCG), by passing its Annual Audit with nil deficiencies for the 9th year in a row. These inspections are to ensure compliance with the regulations found in the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA), which regulates the standards concerning the security of the facility, as well as CFR 126, which assesses the procedures around the handling of certain dangerous cargo. The Terminal is constantly improving and evolving its security operations, and achieving this accolade.

CCT continues to fulfil additional security procedures to satisfy the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) requirements mandated for the space industry customers. Additionally, CCT's Operation Superintendent – Lynnard Woods, has successfully achieved certification for the designation of a Facility Security Officer, and has been nominated as the Assistant Facility Security Officer for the Terminal. This temporary role will allow him to gain the necessary experience before being taking over the entire security role.



MOMENTUM LOGISTICS

GULFTAINER USA EXPLORES NEW HORIZONS FOR ITS USA TERMINALS DURING BREAKBULK AMERICAS

Gulftainer's attendance at last year's edition aligns with the vision to elevate its position in end-to-end supply chain solutions and integrated trade connections globally. It took part in engaging discussions with customers, prospects and partners about the latest innovative solutions being offered in containerised cargo, project cargo, PCC, bulk, liquid and reefer supply chain.

Gulftainer USA showcased its best-in-class solutions in port and terminal operations, and explored joint venture opportunities in Canaveral terminal, which becomes a priority for the company as it seeks to expand its footprint in the USA.





EAST AFRICA

MOMENTUM LOGISTICS WAS PART OF THE UAE-KENYA-UGANDA TRADE MISSION

Momentum Logistics was part of the UAE-Kenya-Uganda Trade mission, organised by the Sharjah Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SCCI) to foster business and trade relations between Kenya and Uganda, and the UAE. The trade mission held the UAE- Kenya Trade and Investment Forum in Nairobi, Kenya, during the first stop.

At the forum, Momentum Logistics' team had a privilege to network with different freight forwarders, manufacturers and traders and managed to exchange ideas and redefine partnerships.

The forum was attended by Abdallah Sultan Al Owais, Chairman of SCCI; Hon. Salim Mvurya, Kenya's Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade, and Industry; and H.E. Ronald Mero, Chief Economic Policy Officer at the Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KNCCI), alongside representatives from both the Emirati and Kenyan business communities.

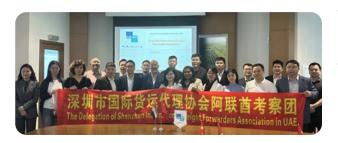




CHINA

A DELEGATION FROM THE SHENZHEN INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT FORWARDERS ASSOCIATION VISITED GULFTAINER AND MOMENTUM LOGISTICS

Gulftainer and Momentum Logistics hosted a delegation from the Shenzhen International Freight Forwarders Association. During the visit, Gulftainer's Chief Commercial Officer, Simon Aynsley and Momentum Logistics' Managing Director, Daniel Caton provided an overview of port, terminal and logistics operations, including the facilities and services across the UAE and beyond.





They also highlighted the Gulftainer's role in fostering the growth of trade between China and the Gulf region, and supporting the economic development in the Indian Subcontinent and the Middle East.

The delegation's first visit to the UAE began in Sharjah, where they visited Gulftainer and Momentum Logistics and discussed ways to grow volumes.

MOMENTUM LOGISTICS HANDLED A PROJECT CARGO FROM SHANGHAI TO IRAQ



Momentum Logistics handled a challenging project cargo operation from Shanghai to Iraq. Under FCA terms, the team expertly managed the entire process, starting with the collection of units from the shipper's factory in Shanghai, packing onto flat racks and 40-foot High Cube containers, receiving the shipment at Gulftainer's Iraq Container Terminal and delivering the cargo.



GLOBAL RAIL

GULFTAINER EXHIBITED AT THE GLOBAL RAIL EXHIBITION & CONFERENCE

Sharjah is the only emirate with both population and infrastructure on the eastern and western seaboards of the UAE. It has the network of ports, terminals, roads, air connections, and a future rail link, enabling it to offer the intermodal Sharjah Solution.



Gulftainer along with Sharjah Ports Authority, Hamriyah Free Zone Authority and SAIF Free Zone showcased the Sharjah Solution - sea, road, air, future rail connectivity and free zones, to facilitate the growth in supply chain and trade from Sharjah to the world - at the Global Rail Transport Infrastructure Exhibition & Conference at ADNEC Centre, Abu Dhabi. The Sharjah Solution promises speed and efficiency to our customers, ensuring their supply chains keep moving.

H.E. Suhail bin Mohammed Al Mazrouei, Minister of Energy and Infrastructure, visited Gulftainer's stand, where Group COO Daniel Wright and Chief Commercial Officer Simon Aynsley, explained how Sharjah is enhancing connectivity, with Gulftainer playing a significant role in keeping supply chains moving.







GLOBAL RAIL

GULFTAINER PARTICIPATED IN A MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTAION PANEL AT THE CONFERENCE

Gulftainer's Group COO, Daniel Wright was part of a multimodal transportation panel at the Global Rail Transport Infrastructure Exhibition & Conference at ADNEC Centre, Abu Dhabi.

He spoke about the importance of seamlessly integrating all aspects of the supply chain across all nodes—sea, land, air, and rail, to enhance efficiency and create value for customers.



INNOVATION AND DIGITISATION

GULFTAINER PARTICIPATED IN A DIGITALISATION PANEL AT THE ADIPEC CONFERENCE

Gulftainer's Director of Information Technology, Vinay Sharma, was part of a panel discussing the role of digitalisation in the future of maritime, at the ADIPEC Maritime and Logistics Conference.





INNOVATION AND DIGITISATION

The panel compared the role of digitalisation in the aviation sector with the maritime sector. It was highlighted that, unlike in aviation, digital systems in the maritime industry are not standardised and often fail to communicate with each other. To address this, there is a need for a consistent digital language, interoperable systems, and greater digital trust.

GULFTAINER SHARED INSIGHTS ON AI AND AUTOMATION WITH THE LOGISTICS NEWS MIDDLE EAST

Gulftainer's Director of Information Technology, Vinay Sharma, shared his insights on how AI and automation are ushering in a new era in logistics in an article in the Logistics News Middle East.

He emphasised that these technologies not only enhance efficiency but also ensure the timely delivery of goods, which is critical for the supply chain industry. He also mentioned that Gulftainer has invested in these technologies to further enhance its operational and business performance.



CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

GULFTAINER WAS PART OF THE INAUGURAL MINISTRY OF FINANCE DIALOGUE

Gulftainer's Group COO, Daniel Wright, participated in the inaugural dialogue between industry leaders from UAE companies investing in and exporting to GCC countries and the Ministry of Finance, led by Mohamed bin Hadi Al Hussaini, Minister of State for Financial Affairs.

The event addressed the private sector's role in advancing economic integration among GCC countries, emphasising that the private sector can serve as a powerful driver of economic growth by investing in infrastructure projects, fostering innovation, and launching entrepreneurial initiatives that boost the competitiveness of GCC economies.





CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

GULFTAINER SPONSORED SHARJAH INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

Gulftainer is honoured to be a platinum sponsor of Sharjah International Film Festival 2024 (SIFF). The film festival endeavours to inspire the audience and deepen their understanding of diverse cultures. This year's festival attracted over 50,000 visitors and audiences were treated to 100 films from more than 90 countries.

SIFF plays a crucial role in fostering creativity and media literacy among children and youth. It empowers young people to appreciate diverse traditions and perspectives, equipping them with the tools to build a more inclusive world.



GULFTAINER SUPPORTED WHITE CANE DAY WALK

As part of its commitment to supporting the local community, Gulftainer is proud to be one of the sponsors of the White Cane Day Walk, held annually. This event raises awareness about the lives of people who are blind or partially sighted, celebrating their independence, abilities, and valuable contributions to society.

The walk, organized by The Emirates Association of the Visually Impaired, began at Buhaira Corniche in Sharjah. Gulftainer sponsored the event to highlight the challenges faced by the visually impaired and to promote community engagement.





CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

GULFTAINER AND MOMENTUM LOGISTICS CELEBRATED EID AL ETIHAD AT SHARJAH INLAND CONTAINER DEPOT

Gulftainer and Momentum Logistics celebrated Eid Al Etihad with the Gulftainer family at the Sharjah Inland Container Depot (SICD). SICD was decorated to mark this historic day of the unification of the Emirates, and attendees were treated to cultural activities.

UAE National Day is a momentous occasion that celebrates the rich identity, deeprooted heritage, remarkable strength, and profound sense of national pride. It is a day filled with patriotism as the UAE looks ahead to a future built on innovation and a shared sense of purpose.







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