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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **FINAL THREE STS CRANES ARRIVE AT BALTIC HUB DELIVERY OF BERTH EQUIPMENT FOR T3 EXPANSION PROJECT COMPLETE**

On 12 March 2025, the Baltic Hub deepsea container terminal complex in Gdansk, Poland received the final three of seven state-of-the-art Ship-To-Shore (STS) cranes for its T3 terminal expansion project. When fully completed in late 2025, T3 will enhance Baltic Hub's ability to handle the world's largest container ships, solidifying its position as the leading container hub in the Baltic Sea and transforming the deepsea terminal complex into one of the largest in Europe.

The new STS cranes for T3 are among the tallest and most advanced in Europe. They are 96 meters high (140 meters with the boom raised), can extend across vessels to a length of 74 meters (26 containers wide) and can raise a container of up to 65 tons to 55 meters high. The cranes were first fully assembled before commencing their 29,500-kilometer voyage by sea to Poland in December 2024. The first four STS cranes were delivered in October last year and are currently undergoing testing with feeder vessels. There will be a test call of a deepsea vessel in early April.

#### **20 Automated rail-mounted gantry cranes**

Beyond the STS cranes, Baltic Hub's T3 terminal will also be equipped with 20 remotely operated automated rail-mounted gantry cranes (aRMGs), that optimise container handling and improve operational safety. These cranes will provide a safer and more efficient working environment as they are controlled remotely from the administrative building away from the yard. Presently, 12 of the aRMGs have already been assembled at the T3 yard, with four undergoing live testing. In addition, the fully electric cranes will contribute to Baltic Hub's sustainability efforts, as the terminal hub only purchases electricity generated from renewable sources.

"Together, these new STS cranes and our new semi-automated terminal setup will enable Baltic Hub to significantly enhance operational efficiency, safety and sustainability. The completion of the T3 terminal will not only support the growing demands of international trade but will also strengthen Poland's role in the global logistics network," said Jan Van Mossevelde, CEO of Baltic Hub.

#### **T3 Terminal Expansion Project**

Baltic Hub's T3 expansion project is being built on a 36-hectare artificial peninsula, linked to its current terminals. When fully completed in late 2025, it will expand Baltic Hub's capacity by 1.5 million TEUs to 4.5 million TEUs per year, thereby making Baltic Hub one of Europe's

largest container terminal complexes. In addition, the T3 terminal will have a 717-meter long and 17.5-meter deep quay that allows it to handle the world's largest container vessels.

Van Mossevelde added on, "Baltic Hub's T3 expansion represents a major investment in the future of global logistics. By the end of 2025, we will offer even more advanced and efficient container handling facilities. This development benefits the Polish economy, facilitates trade across the region and ensures Baltic Hub remains a top choice for global shipping lines."

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### **ABOUT BALTIC HUB**

Baltic Hub Container Terminal Sp. z o.o. is Poland's largest and fastest-growing container terminal and the only deep-water terminal in the Baltic Sea. It connects Asia, the European Union with Poland and the emerging markets of Central and Eastern Europe and the entire Baltic Sea. The Baltic Hub receives the largest ships in the world departing from the Far East.

The company handles Polish imports, exports and transit and successfully competes with German, Dutch and Belgian ports. With its excellent connections to destinations, the Baltic Hub is a natural gateway for goods from the world, not only for Poland but for the whole of Central and Eastern Europe. The terminal has excellent land connections to countries such as the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Ukraine, Hungary and Germany. In 2024, the Baltic Hub handled 2.2 million TEUs and currently employs more than 1,400 people.

The terminal is owned by PSA International (40%), the Polish Development Fund (30%) and the IFM Global Infrastructure Fund (30%). PSA International is a leading global port group and a trusted partner for cargo operators around the world. With flagship operations in Singapore and Antwerp, PSA's global network includes more than 180 locations in 45 countries around the world. The Polish Development Fund Group (PFR) is a group of state-owned financial institutions that offers instruments for the development of companies, local governments and individuals, investing in sustainable social and economic development. IFM Investors is a global institutional fund management company.

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