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**SEASON'S GREETINGS**



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**With Warm Wishes**



## TRADE LANE PROMOTION

# Think Turkey, Think Globelink!

### Mersin Service

Since the start of our Turkey campaign in October 2013, the program has gained momentum and in this issue we would like to promote our Mersin service.

Globelink Mersin started in January 2012 with a team of experienced staff handling the various services offered. In the short span of time, Globelink Mersin has established itself in the market as the only NVOCC consolidator with a direct service ex-Singapore into Mersin with transshipment services to North Iraq and North Cyprus.

Located in Southern Turkey on the East Mediterranean Sea, the Port of Mersin is the country's largest port. The port lies in a strategic location embracing Middle East and Europe. Mersin port is an important gateway to many Eastern Mediterranean destinations and has close proximity to markets in the Middle East.

The Port of Mersin enjoys modern infrastructure and equipment, efficient cargo handling, vast storage areas and sits adjacent to the Mersin Free Zone – the first free zone in Turkey, with warehouses, shops, assembly-disassembly, maintenance and engineering workshops, banking and insurance, packing-repacking, labeling and exhibition facilities.

Mersin port is connected by railway and highways to Turkey's industrialized cities such as Gaziantep, Kayseri, Kahramanmaraş, Konya and to bordering countries Syria, Iraq and Iran. Parallel to the development of the logistics sector across the world, the vision for Mersin is to become one of the prominent leading logistics centre in the world.

In addition to the LCL consolidation services, Globelink Mersin can also handle FCL, bulk, RO-RO services to Mersin or Iskenderun port; transit deliveries to Iraq via Mersin or Iskenderun port; transit customs formalities; multimodal transportation to Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan; and other value-added services.

The Globelink network offers direct services to all Turkish main ports of Istanbul (Ambarli/Kumport and Haydarpaşa), Mersin and Izmir.

Headquartered in Istanbul, Globelink Turkey has branch offices located at Izmir, Bursa and Mersin as well as an office at Ataturk airport to handle airfreight.

For any enquiries, please contact Globelink Turkey or any Globelink local office.

## SERVICE INTRODUCTION

### New Direct Consolidation Service

CWT Globelink group has added a new direct consolidation service in our network.

#### Hamburg to Guatemala

- ❖ POL: Hamburg
- ❖ POD: Guatemala
- ❖ ETD Hamburg: Saturday
- ❖ Cut-off: Wednesday 10:00
- ❖ Transit: 26 days
- ❖ Frequency: Fortnightly

For enquires, please contact Globelink Guatemala – Tel: +502 24901500 or email [gtventas02@gt.globelink-aeroceano.com](mailto:gtventas02@gt.globelink-aeroceano.com)

### Bonded Truck Service

Globelink Johor Bahru is offering daily bonded truck service Pasir Gudang to/from Tanjung Pelepas (PTP).

#### Port to Port Bonded Truck

- ❖ Port: Pasir Gudang
- ❖ Port: Tanjung Pelepas (PTP)
- ❖ Service: To/From port to port
- ❖ Frequency: Daily



For enquires, please contact Globelink Johor Bahru – Tel: +60 7 3553232 or email [globejb@globelink.com.my](mailto:globejb@globelink.com.my)

## **NOTICES – Globelink Offices**

### **UK Import Restrictions**

Please note that the following products are subject to restrictions when being imported into the United Kingdom.

1. Foodstuffs (Including herbs and spices)
2. Animals, animal skins, animal furs etc
3. Animal and Fish by-products
4. Dairy products and products that may contain dairy products (e.g. milk powder)
5. Sugar and products that may contain sugar
6. Medicinal/health products

The above list is just a selection of items that have certain restrictions. Other products may also be restricted in some way.

It is important that any items that may fall into this category being booked for shipment to the UK are pre-advised to Globelink UK and confirmed to be acceptable before loading.

Necessary checks with the importer before cargo acceptance is required to ensure that all necessary documentation and import licenses are in place and valid. Therefore, full details of the shipment are to be sent to Globelink UK before shipment loading and information must include name of consignee, copy invoice, packing list, and other relevant documentation.

### **New Regulation in Egypt**

Please note that due to security reasons in Egypt, especially during this political situation, the Egyptian Customs have requested with immediate effect to submit all shipment packing lists and commercial invoices for clearance of all LCL shipments out of bonded warehouses.

Kindly ensure that all documents are sent through before shipment arrival to avoid delay in the release of cargo.

## INDUSTRY NEWS

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### **Dogged by cost, Singapore stays ahead as king of competence, rising up the value chain**

Singapore may have lost its number one spot to Shanghai as the world's busiest container port, but it moves up the value chain into a world where tonnage means less than dollar volume produced by its own high-end electronics and pharmaceuticals that not only require high skills to make, but can also get to market.

Singapore's location is a big plus as a transshipment gateway to Asia, but it has retained more manufacturing than one would have expected, and has managed this trend-bucking accomplishment by moving up the value chain.

Combining this with the well-oiled machinery of the Singapore government that paves the way to greater output and sales, it gives one reason to be positive about the Lion City's economic prospects.

Then there is the increasing wealth of Southeast Asian hinterland itself. The Straits of Malacca may be the gateway to the wider Asia-Pacific; besides, Singapore is at the centre of a region where the rise in per capita income and the development of the productive base in places like Indonesia or Thailand is also having a profound impact on the Lion City's fortunes.

*Source: CSM – The Container Shipping Manager*

## WORLD HOLIDAYS

### World Holidays in February 2014



#### China

01 – 06 Feb Spring Festival

#### Hong Kong

01 – 03 Feb Lunar New Year

#### India

28 Feb Maha Shivratri

#### Korea

01 Feb Seollal (Lunar New Year)

#### Kuwait

25 Feb National Day  
26 Feb Liberation Day

#### Malaysia

01 Feb Chinese New Year (2<sup>nd</sup> Day)\*  
01 Feb Federal Territory Day\*  
15 Feb Thaipusam\*

\* Regional holiday.

#### Pakistan

05 Feb Kashmir Day

#### Qatar

11 Feb National Sports Day

#### Singapore

01 Feb Chinese New Year

#### Slovenia

08 Feb Prešeren Day

#### Thailand

14 Feb Makha Bucha Day

#### Taiwan

01 – 04 Feb Lunar New Year  
28 Feb Peace Memorial Day

#### Sri Lanka

04 Feb National Day  
14 Feb Navam Full Moon Poya Day  
27 Feb Mahashivratri

#### Vietnam

01 – 05 Feb Tet Nguyen Dan  
(Vietnamese New Year)

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## ABOUT CWT GLOBELINK GROUP

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CWT Globelink started in 1988 in Singapore. It has now expanded to more than 100 offices in 28 countries, providing comprehensive and high quality consolidation services to our valued customers.

CWT Globelink's presence includes Australia, Bulgaria, China, Costa Rica, Croatia, Egypt, Guatemala, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Kuwait, Malaysia, Morocco, Pakistan, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Singapore, Slovenia, South Korea, Spain, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom and Vietnam.

Together with key members of its agency network, Globelink formed the Global Consolidator Alliance (GCA) to provide comprehensive and seamless global coverage to its valued customers.

For more information about the CWT Globelink Group, please refer to our website: [www.cwt-globelink.com](http://www.cwt-globelink.com)



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