

Ranking of global container ports with greatest potential

Based on three indicators (growth rate of container throughput, GDP growth of local economy and investment attracted by ports), Shanghai International Shipping Service Center ranks top 100 container terminals with the greatest potential for development and concludes “the ranking of global container terminals with greatest development potential” in 2012. The results are listed as follows:

Table1 2012 World's Most Potential Container Ports			
Rank	Port	Country	Score
1	Dalian	China	60.88
2	Yingkou	China	59.01
3	Qingdao	China	55.82
4	Tianjin	China	49.75
5	Durban	South Africa	48.65
6	Long Beach	American	46.45
7	Santos	Brazil	45.74
8	Lirquen	Chile	45.56
9	Balboa	Panama	45.32
10	Quanzhou	China	-43.52
11	St Petersburg	Russia	42.81
12	Rotterdam	Holland	42.64
13	Kaohsiung	Taiwan	42.25
14	Hamburg	Germany	41.78
15	Helsinki	Finland	41.71
16	Port Said	Egypt	41.43
17	Singapore	Singapore	41.38
18	Vladivostok	Russia	41.30
19	CoonawayCandie	Brazil	41.13
20	Rauma	Finland	41.01

◆ A bright future for container terminals in Circum-Bohai Bay

As China is the largest container transportation center among global container terminals, Chinese container terminals pose a bright future. In recent years, Bohai Economic Rim has achieved leapfrog development and port demands remain an ongoing growth, stimulating a new round of port investments.

◆ African ports on the rise

With the prosperity of international trade in African countries, terminal operators pay more and more attention to the development of African container terminals, with increasing investments. Thus, African container terminals pose huge development potential.

◆Latin ports to become a new engine for global port development

Under current glooming global trade, Latin American countries pose huge potential with increasing domestic demands and private investments. In addition, Panama Canal in the construction will bring more development opportunities for Latin American ports.

◆Baltic coastal ports on the right track

In recent years, Eastern Europe has become the fastest growing region for global container trade. With large-scale investment and development, this region has attracted many direct-route container vessels from the world to berth here.