

DUNKERQUE-PORT:

FIRST SHIP SUCCESSFULLY REFUELLED WITH LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG) AT LNG TERMINAL

The day after the first icebreaker tanker docked at the Dunkerque LNG terminal, the station's staff carried out their first ship refuelling with LNG.

The "Provalys", with capacity of 153,000 m³, is the first ship to benefit from this refuelling service which Dunkerque LNG has offered since the end of 2017. Refuelled from the stock of LNG in the station's tanks, the "Provalys" left the port on Monday 29 January 2018.

This new service is thus a valuable addition to the terminal's offer, and responds to strong market demand.

Commissioned a year ago, the terminal is already developing quickly to meet the needs of its customers and maintain a high level of performance (it handled traffic of 866,000 tonnes of LNG in 2017), and this is why a first modification, designed to provide a "fast" ship refuelling service (8,800 m³ per hour), is currently in progress. This modification, which will be available from the end of 2018, will provide greater flexibility for customers and supplement the terminal's service offer.

About Dunkerque-Port:

The largest French port complex (Calais-Dunkirk); the ninth port of the Channel and North Sea Range and France's third-largest port, Dunkirk has built a reputation in many sectors: it is the largest passenger port in Europe (Calais-Dunkirk hub); France's largest energy hub; the country's largest LNG terminal; the leading French port for containerised fruit and vegetable imports; the largest French port for ore and coal imports; France's largest rail port; the region's largest waterway port; and the third-ranking French port for grain traffic. Dunkerque-Port is also a sustainable port. It is the trading port of the new Hauts-de-France Region, the largest agricultural region of France, the leading region for the rail industry, and the leading region for the car industry. Traffic in 2017 was 50.4 MT.

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