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Dear shippers,

**D**uring the month of October 2023, amongst the major activities of the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) was the launch of works for the construction of the CNSC Ngaoundere Trucker Accommodation Centre in the Adamawa region. The imminent construction of this trade facilitation infrastructure adds to those already erected all over the country. These facilities are primarily designed to promote cross-border trade and to ease the transportation of goods along Cameroon's road corridors to and from neighbouring landlocked countries.

The new British High-Commissioner to Cameroon, His Excellency Barry Lowen, recently paid a working visit to the Commonwealth Enterprise and Investment Council (CWEIC) Hub for Cameroon and Gabon in Douala. The purpose of the visit was to better understand the missions of the CWEIC Hub. It was also an opportunity to better gauge the efforts made by the CNSC to attract other Cameroonian companies to this Commonwealth business network.

In line with its mission to promote Cameroon's foreign trade, the CNSC took part in the launch of meetings between Turkish exporters and Cameroon's business community. The potential fall-outs of these meetings would be joint ventures and partnerships with a perceptible impact on the national economy.

This issue of the Shipper's Newsletter also reports on the CNSC's efforts to raise awareness among its female staff on some causes of cancer and how to prevent it.

Have an enjoyable reading !

Auguste Mbappe Penda

CNSC General Manager

## INFRASTRUCTURE

### LAUNCH OF WORKS FOR THE CNSC NGAOUNDERE TRUCKER ACCOMMODATION CENTRE



- **Cross-border trade : Ngaoundere soon to host a CNSC trucker facility ;**
- **Turkish exporters and Cameroonian businesses hold meetings in Douala ;**
- **ICC holds second meeting on AfCFTA ;**
- **British High Commissioner visits CWEIC HUB at the CNSC ;**
- **CNSC present at TABEF in Turkey ;**
- **Pink October: CNSC Ladies join fight against breast cancer.**

## Cross-border trade

### Trade facilitation infrastructure under construction

#### Ngaoundere soon to host a CNSC facility

The Governor of the Adamawa region, Mr. Kildadi Boukar Taguieke, presided over the official foundation stone-laying ceremony for the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) Ngaoundere Trucker Accommodation Centre on Tuesday 24 October 2023. The ceremony which took place in the Ngaoundere III Subdivision, at Tchabal Djalingo to be precise, was attended by CNSC's General Manager, Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda, and some local administrative and traditional authorities who came to add glamour to the occasion.



Foundation stone-laying ceremony

Speaking at the ceremony, CNSC's General

Manager underlined that "Ngaoundere is a natural break point for goods transported between the northern regions of Cameroon and the rest of the country, thanks to its strategic geographic location. Choosing Ngaoundere to host this infrastructure was therefore no accident, given the key role the city plays in trade between Cameroon and neighbouring countries like the Central African Republic, Nigeria and Chad. Road transporters and users are therefore invited to take full advantage of the services offered by this CNSC Trucker Accommodation Centre for the safe routing of their goods in the CEMAC sub-region."

## Cooperation

### B-to-B meetings on the agenda

#### Turkish exporters and Cameroonian businesses team up

Cameroon's Minister of Trade, Mr. Luc Magloire Mbarga Atangana, accompanied by the Ambassador of Turkey to Cameroon, His Excellency Volkan, proceeded with the opening of B-to-B meetings between Turkish exporters and Cameroonian businessmen on 3 October 2023. Within the framework of its missions to assist business owners and facilitate foreign trade operations, the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) participated in this ceremony and was represented by its General Manager, Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda.



B-to-B meetings with Turkish exporters

These B-to-B meetings are the outcome of an initiative by the CNSC which involved sending a delegation to Turkey in June 2023. CNSC's General Manager, Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda, pointed out in his speech that "this action by the CNSC falls in line with its mission to assist and facilitate foreign trade operations". He also announced that the CNSC was committed to providing both the Turkish delegation and Cameroon's business persons with all the information they would need for the smooth running of this budding collaboration.

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## AfCFTA

### International Trade

#### ICC-Cameroon talks AfCFTA

On Wednesday 11 October 2023, the second meeting of the International Trade Commission of the National Committee of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC-Cameroon) was held at the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) under the initiative of Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda, CNSC's General Manager. Members of the commission, actors and experts of international trade, government officials and socio-professional organisations took part in the proceedings.

The meeting was presided by Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda, who doubles as Chairman of the International Trade Commission, and was attended by Mr. Antoine Ndzengue, CEO of the Neptune

Oil Group and Vice-Chair of the Commission.

The purpose of this second meeting of the International Trade Commission was to examine the many opportunities offered by the AfCFTA to Africa's business community in general and Cameroonian companies in particular, the challenges and constraints facing Cameroonian companies in accessing the continental market, and mechanisms enabling them to take advantage of trade in goods and services

on the African continent. A presentation of the Commonwealth Enterprise and Investment Council (CWEIC) was also delivered to provide participants with a better understanding of its missions.



Working session

## Diplomacy

### Visit from a VIP guest

#### British High Commissioner visits CWEIC HUB at the CNSC

The newly appointed High Commissioner of Great Britain to the Republic of Cameroon, His Excellency Barry Lowen, paid an official visit to the Commonwealth Enterprise and Investment Council (CWEIC) Hub for Cameroon and Gabon hosted at the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC), a CWEIC strategic partner. He was received by the Chairman of the CWEIC Hub and CNSC General Manager, Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda, alongside the hub's Country Director, Mr. Cham Etienne Bama. Speaking at the meeting, Mr. Cham Etienne Bama gave a run-down of the

various activities of the Hub and how much the CNSC is doing to tag along other strategic partners in this move to integrate the Commonwealth market. Emphasis was laid on trade facilitation infrastructures and potential sectors that could interest foreign investors. H.E. Barry Lowen, quite delighted with all he had learned, congratulated the CNSC for all the initiative it is taking and all the assistance it is providing to the CWEIC Hub as he outlined the commercial and friendly ties Cameroon shares with Commonwealth member states.



GM CNSC poses with British High Commissioner



## Forum

### The CNSC at TABEF

#### TABEF is a platform that promotes trade and investment

A delegation from the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) was in Turkey from 10 to 13 October 2023 to take part in the 4<sup>th</sup> Turkey-Africa Business and Economic Forum (TABEF) organised under the theme "Addressing Challenges, Unlocking Opportunities: Building Stronger Türkiye-Africa Economic Partnerships". The delegation headed by Mr. Nolga Fernand Douglas, CNSC Director of Trade Facilitation and Transport Observatory, also included Mr. Njoh a Lobe Aurélien, Deputy Director of Infrastructure, and Mr. Menounga Jean Marie, Head of the Contracts Service.



CNSC's delegation to Turkey

TABEF is a biennial event jointly organised by the Turkish Ministry of Trade, the Turkish Council for Foreign Economic Relations and the African Union Commission since 2016. Over the years, TABEF has established itself as a trade and investment promotion forum regularly attended by Cameroon. It offers a platform for public and private sector stakeholders from Africa and Turkey to examine a series of recommendations aimed at strengthening the private sector's commitment to inclusive growth and development.

## Health

### CNSC Ladies fight breast cancer

#### A campaign against breast cancer was organised by CNSC female staff

In the month of October every year, thousands of people raise awareness on breast cancer, a deadly affliction. Female staff of the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) joined other women from all over the world on 27 October 2023 to help stop breast and cervical cancer.

To support them in this fight, health professionals and specialists met with CNSC ladies to raise awareness on these issues. Dressed in their pink outfits, proof of their commitment to the fight against



Activities during campaign against breast cancer

cancer, CNSC female staff (CNCC Ladies) were briefed at length on the causes, symptoms and prevention of this disease, which kills millions of people around the world.

The instructive session ended with voluntary screening sessions for breast and cervical cancer. The campaign was crowned by a sports walk against breast and cervical cancer, which was well attended by CNSC staff on 28 October 2023 at the Parours Vita sports park in Douala.

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