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#### Dear shippers,

he month of September 2025 at the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) ushered in the launch of CNSC's fourth trucker accommodation facility in Garoua-Boulai and its fifth Regional Office in the East Region, a stone's throw away from Cameroon's border with the Central African Republic. These achievements demonstrate CNSC's commitment to continuing its important project to construct facilities that enhance transit. The goal is to promote trade along Cameroon's road corridors by ensuring the safety of persons and goods.

The recent holding of the Intra-African Trade Fair (IATF 2025) in Algeria provided another opportunity for the CNSC to demonstrate its support for initiatives led by Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises. Thanks to the CNSC's assistance, Cameroonian SMEs were able to increase their visibility and that of their products and services. This event also facilitated partnership deals that were negotiated in line with the opportunities inherent in the AfCFTA.

The celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Douala-Bonaberi Port offered the Douala Maritime Museum an opportunity to be discovered away from its building. Its exhibition stand was decorated with marine plants and objects that depict Cameroon's maritime history, drawing admiration from all at the Club PAD in Bonanjo.

Have an enjoyable reading!

Auguste Mbappe Penda **CNSC General Manager** 

### **NEW TRUCKER ACCOMMODATION CENTRE** IN THE EAST REGION

THE GOVERNOR OF THE EAST REGION INAUGURATES **CNSC EAST REGIONAL OFFICE AND CNSC GAROUA-BOULAI TRUCKER ACCOMMODATION CENTRE** 



- **CNSC** inaugurates its new infrastructure in the East Region
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- **CNSC present among decision-makers at PAD** conference
- Pharmacists organise a relaxation visit to the **Douala Maritime Museum (DMM)**







#### **Trade Facilitation**

#### New infrastructure in the East Region

CNSC inaugurates its new cross-border trade infrastructure.



Group picture

he Governor of the East Region, Mr. Gregoire Mvongo, on 5 September 2025, officially inaugurated two key trade facilitation infrastructure projects built by the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) in the East Region. These include the CNSC Garoua-Boulai Trucker Accommodation Centre and the CNSC East Regional Office located in Yoko-Sire. Built on a surface area of 10 hectares, these two infrastructures are situated along National Road No. 1, not far from Cameroon's border with the Central African Republic, a landlocked country whose cargo transit through Cameroonian ports. The new infrastructures come to make a total of four trucker accommodation centres and five regional offices constructed by the CNSC throughout the national territory. "The project being inaugurated this day is CNSC's most recent contribution to the facilitation of cargo transportation through the Douala-Bangui, Douala-Ndjamena/Kribi-Bangui, Kribi-Ndjamena road corridors", declared Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda, CNSC's General Manager, in the presence of many guests. During the ceremony, Mr. Mbang Sylvain and Mr. Ismaila Moustapha were respectively installed into office as Head of CNSC East Regional Office and Service Head of the CSNC Garoua-Boulai Trucker Accommodation Centre. Garoua-Boulai Trucker Accommodation Centre offers basic amenities to ensure cross-border trade actors have a comfortable stay. Besides its parking lot with a capacity of 150 trucks, this facility is equipped with an administrative block, living quarters with 10 self-contained rooms, an eatery, a mosque and a toilet block. The facility is equally secured and has electricity and water supply installed.

#### **IATF 2025**

#### CNSC's support to home-based SMEs

The Algiers trade fair offered SMEs the opportunity to showcase their products and services.



Textile Made in Cameroon

naithful to its mission to facilitate foreign trade and promote exports, the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) accompanied about ten Cameroonian SMEs to the Intra-African Trade Fair (IATF 2025) in Algeria, held from 4 to 10 September 2025. SMEs concerned were those that stood out during the pre-selection phase. These include: AUTHENTIC FOODS CAMEROON, JAOF FOOD, GIC ANAB, FAMILY FOOD, LA CUISINE DE NOUNOU, NOHI CHOCOLATERIES and MÂ C'EST MÔ. Organised under the auspices of the African Union and the African Export-Import Bank (AFREXIMBANK), this continental event brought together thousands of business persons, government and private institutions with a view to further revealing the opportunities offered by the AfCFTA. Cameroonian SMEs found in this event an opportunity to increase their product and service visibility in sectors such as agrifood, textile, aluminium and even cocoa. On 8 September 2025, the Cameroonian Embassy in Algeria organised a Cameroon-Algeria Economic Day to facilitate economic partnerships through Benchmarking sessions and B2B encounters with a view to strengthening trade exchanges between both countries under the AfCFTA.







Forum

#### MARITIMAFRICA WEEK in Togo

CNSC participates in activities in Lome.



CNSC delegation

he Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) took part in the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the MARITIMAFRICA WEEK Forum held from 10 to 12 September 2025 in Lome -Togo. The event had as theme: "A Bright Blue Future in Africa". CNSC's delegation comprised Mr. Emmanuel Sone Makoge, Service Head for Import Assistance; and Mrs. Soureya Hamadou, Service Head for Operations at the CNSC Centre Regional Office in Yaounde. The MARITIMAFRICA Week Togo is an annual event that brings together all blue economy actors in Africa and their international partners, offering a platform for discussions and exchange of innovative ideas and best practices with a view to enabling actors to participate in the development of the blue economy in Africa. The overall objective of this meeting was to brainstorm on the major stakes and challenges of the blue economy sector. Organised by the group MARITIMAFRICA, the Lome meeting brought together actors in the ports and economic sectors, as well as academia, to discuss various themes including: Maritime security and safety, port performance, digital transition, climate resilience and marine ecosystems protection. The CNSC, by participating in this event, reaffirms its commitment to contributing to the promotion of a sustainable and competitive maritime economy in Africa.

### **Anniversary Celebration**

### The Douala Maritime Museum appeals to many at Club PAD

Many visitors were thrilled to discover the history of the Douala-Bonaberi Port.



Visitors stream into DMM stand

long royal canoe carved from solid wood, a ship replica, archival photographs of the Douala Port and buildings, traditional fishing gears, smoked fish species, cultural artefacts of Cameroon's coastal peoples and a lot more, carefully arranged in an exhibition stand decorated with marine plants... Such was the bold and picturesque atmosphere that prevailed in the stand of the Douala Maritime Museum (DMM) at Club PAD. The stand was decorated in line with the central theme of the anniversary celebration, "One River, One Territory, One History, One Port One Future". "In line with the central theme of the anniversary celebration, the CNSC chose to showcase the Douala Maritime Museum, whose artefacts from another age tell Cameroon's maritime history", declared Mr. Anicet Belinga, Service Head at the Douala Maritime Museum. From 26 September through 3 October 2025, the Douala Maritime Museum set up shop at Club PAD for a travelling exhibition at the celebration ground of the 150th anniversary of the Port of Douala-Bonaberi organised by the Port Authority of Douala. Visibly satisfied visitors equally had the opportunity to discover, in pictures, how the Port of Douala-Bonaberi evolved and was developed from the Besseke landing stage in Douala in the 1800s.



#### Conference

#### CNSC present among decision-makers

#### Highlighting PAD's natural source of wealth and vitality.



#### CNSC's presentation

uring celebrations to mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Port of Douala-Bonaberi, the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) participated in the panel of decision-makers held on 3 October 2025. The event was organised by the Port Authority of Douala and brought together actors of Cameroon's ports and logistics sector, namely: APN, PAD, PAK, DGC, GUCE and SGS. Mr. Fernand Douglas Nolga, CNSC Director for Trade Facilitation and Transports Observatory, delivered a presentation on behalf of the General Manager Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda, unable to attend. His presentation had as theme "The geostrategic and dynamic importance of the Douala-Bonaberi Port for Cameroon and the sub-region". To the CNSC, the Douala-Bonaberi port stands as the mainstay of Cameroon's trade. It is equally a strategic point for trade corridors of the Central a strategic point for trade corridors of the Central African region. The Port of Douala-Bonaberi, through its innovations and investments, plays a determinant role in Cameroon's economic integration and in the competitiveness of exports and imports. These efforts are actively reinforced by actions carried out by the CNSC, which include supervision and personalised monitoring of shippers, proposals for trade facilitation solutions, construction of trucker accommodation centres along road transport corridors, and the construction of warehousing facilities within and outside the Douala port area.

#### **Douala Maritime Museum**

#### Discovering the exhibition

#### Pharmacists organise a relaxation visit.



#### Picture in front of the DMM building

'n prelude to the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Pharma Expo Cameroun 2025 trade exhibition held from 11 to 13 September 2025 in Douala, about 30 members of the National Council of the Order of Pharmacists of Cameroon organised a visit to the Douala Maritime Museum on 10 September 2025. For more than three hours, the pharmacists were given a guided tour of the different objects on display at the museum. Through these objects, they were able to better appreciate the rich maritime history of Cameroon. At the end of their visit, the members of the Order left the museum fully satisfied after seeing various objects, pictures, and other attractions offered by the Douala Maritime Museum.

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