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Cameroon's delegation at the CWEIC meeting in London

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Dear Shippers, landscape.

The month of September 2026 at the Cameroon National Shippers' Council was particularly eventful, with activities conducted both on the international scene and at the national level, some of which aimed at consolidating partnerships.

For its participation in international events, the CNCSC was part of the Cameroonian delegation to London for a meeting organised by the Commonwealth Enterprise and Investment Council (CWEIC). Talks during this meeting focused on the resilience of enterprises and opportunities for intra-Commonwealth trade in the current global economic

At the national level, CNCSC's General Manager, **Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda**, along with his collaborators, paid a working visit to Pouma and Kye-Ossi, on 1 and 3 September 2026, for preliminary activities in view of the construction of two new trucker facilities.

As for cooperation with actors of the port sector, the CNCSC welcomed a delegation from the Port Authority of Kribi (PAK) for a meeting aimed at furthering discussions on the mastery and monitoring of maritime traffic.

To wrap up the month, on 14 September 2026, the Douala Maritime Museum welcomed about thirty military advisers, hailing from about twenty countries.

These actions and more go a long way to show CNCSC's

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commitment to providing better services to shippers and promoting Cameroon's foreign trade.

Have an enjoyable reading !

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Meeting

CNSC joins London discussions on resilience



CNSC's General Manager poses with other members of Cameroon's delegation

A Cameroonian delegation was in London on 9 September 2026 to take part in a meeting dedicated to the resilience of enterprises and investment opportunities in a changing global context.

The Cameroonian delegation at the meeting organised by the Commonwealth Enterprise and

Investment Council (CWEIC) comprised of Members of Government among whom Mr. **Paul Tasong**, Minister Delegate at the Ministry of Economy, Planning and Regional Development, and Mr. **Felix Mbayu**, Minister Delegate at the Ministry of External Relations in charge of cooperation with the Commonwealth. Several General Managers of public companies were equally part of the delegation, namely, Mr. **Auguste Mbappe Penda**, General Manager of the CNSC, who is also the Chairman of the CWEIC Hub for Cameroon, Gabon, Togo and Sierra Leone.

Also taking part at the session were other delegations from Guernsey, Western Australia, Togo, as well as representatives of enterprises, who all gathered in the presence of the **Lady Susan Langley**, Mayor of London.

Holding under themes revolving around risk management, strengthening the resilience of enterprises and exploring new investment opportunities, the session brought together business persons and government officials all drawn from several Commonwealth countries.

CNSC's participation was quite special since its Head Office hosts the CWEIC Regional Hub for Cameroon, Gabon, Togo and Sierra Leone. Taking part in this session, Cameroon sought to strengthen its partnerships with Commonwealth actors and further explore investments, funding and cooperation opportunities.

Project

CNSC seeks to increase infrastructure for foreign trade facilitation

Pouma is poised to host a new Trucker Accommodation Centre to be built on about 20 hectares of land in a bid to improve the accommodation and safety of truckers along the transport corridor.

On 1 September 2026, the General Manager of the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC), **Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda**, met with the inhabitants of Pouma, in the presence of the Senior Divisional Officer for the Sanaga Maritime, **Mr. Cyrille Yvan ABONDO**, for decisions on the project to construct a new Trucker Accommodation Centre in the locality. The meeting took place in the presence of administrative authorities and representatives of the affected populations.

The meeting was held following the provision of land for the construction of the trucker facility, and aimed mainly to present the project to the local populations and to discuss the support measures envisaged prior to the start of construction works.

Located in Pouma, halfway between Douala and Yaounde, this future Trucker Accommodation Centre occupies a strategic position on the transport corridors linking the country's main ports to the hinterland, particularly to N'Djamena and Bangui.



The panel

Upon completion, this trucker facility should contribute to improving the working conditions of drivers and improve safety along this road corridor. It will particularly provide drivers with a secure parking lot with amenities for proper accommodation. At the moment, these truckers are forced

to park along the road, a situation which causes traffic disruption and increases the risk of accidents.

Through this project, the CNSC continues to carry out its actions geared towards facilitating external trade and improving cargo transport conditions along Cameroon's road corridors.

Prospects

CNSC envisages new Trucker Accommodation Centre in Kye-Ossi



Visit to the site of the future trucker facility

A family in Kye-Ossi graciously offered 10 hectares of land for the construction of a new trucker facility to facilitate foreign trade.

Following consultations between the local authorities in Kye-Ossi and the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC), a meeting

was held on 3 September 2026 in this border town of the South Region. The meeting brought together the local populations and CNSC's General Manager, **Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda**, accompanied by his close aides and the Divisional Officer for Kye-Ossi, **Mr. Joseph Victorien Happi de Nguiamba**.

The D.O, in his remarks, assured CNSC's General Manager that the landed property offered to the CNSC was authentic. He went further to reaffirm the commitment of administrative authorities to support the realisation of this project.

The General Manager and his team were later on led to the site which is located in the Mefouk village, on the outskirts of Kye-Ossi. The site, which is relatively flat and clear, currently contains a few palm trees and various crops, with no evident habitation.

On the site, **Mr. Auguste Mbappe Penda** reassured the generous donors that the crops and other property on the site would be factored into the adopted compensation plan. These are currently being assessed by the relevant technical teams and upon completion, will be subject to compensation following applicable procedures.

Through this project, the CNSC intends to gradually strengthen its support mechanisms for truckers and contribute to improving the working conditions and stay of drivers along these roads corridors which are strategic for cross-border trade.

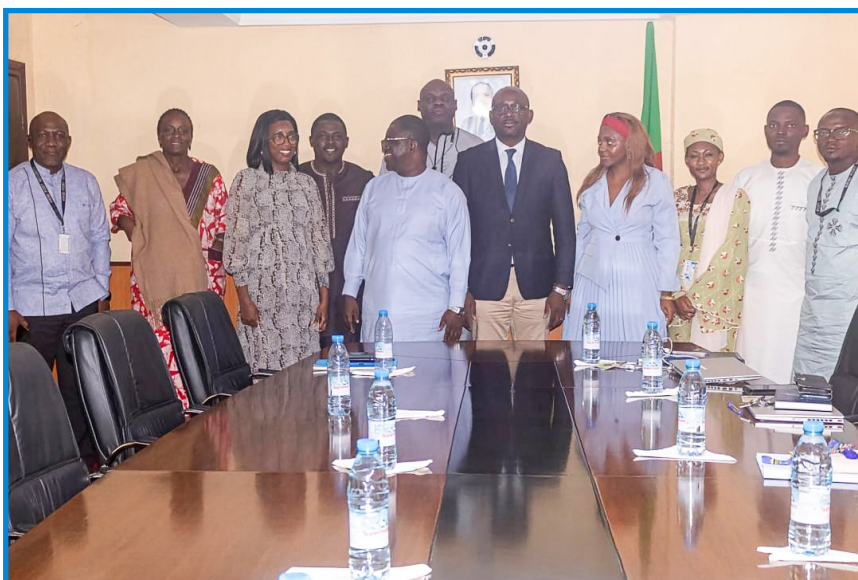
Consultations

Both institutions pursue works on system integration and data exchange to improve the monitoring of maritime traffic.

On 21 September 2026, the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) received a delegation from the Port Authority of Kribi at its Head Office for discussions aimed at strengthening cooperation between the two institutions.

Led by **Mr. François Landry Ndjeng**, Head of PAK's Software Engineering and Integration Department, the delegation took part in discussions on system integration and data exchange

CNSC and PAK strengthen collaboration



Participants at the session

between PAK and CNSC IT systems.

The working session was chaired by **Mrs. Ngo Ndenga Christine Flore Ntjam**, Head of the CNSC Information Systems

Division and attended by **Mr. Elvis Tsaguim**, Director of Operations and **Mrs. Claire Onana Takoutchop**, Director for Shippers' Assistance. Established under the agreement signed between the CNSC and PAK, this data interfacing and exchange project aims to ensure more effective monitoring of maritime traffic.

With a view to finalising the implementation of this data-sharing

initiative, both parties have also begun work on updating the agreement binding them, with a view to aligning their cooperation framework with their respective missions in support of the growth of Cameroon's foreign trade.

Awareness-raising

An awareness-raising campaign in Garoua helped to remind business persons of the necessity to respect standards and combat fraud.

On 16 September 2026, the North Regional Office of the Cameroon National Shippers' Council (CNSC) took part in an awareness-raising campaign in Garoua against the illegal importation and sale of sweetened drinks, frozen foods and other related products.

Organised by the Directorate-General of Customs (DGD), the campaign brought together transporters, business persons and representatives of public administrations such as the Standards and Quality Agency (ANOR). Discussions focused on the need to respect standards and regulations, fight against the sale of non-compliant products, counterfeiting and smuggling.

In his address, the Head of

CNSC takes action against fraud in the North Region



Family picture

the Customs Sector for the North Region, **Mr. Raymond Touagaï**, praised the commitment of the CNSC to empowering business persons in the region since it established a regional office in the city of Garoua in 2024. These compliments were followed by

a call to increase training and awareness-raising opportunities for stakeholders of Cameroon's logistics chain, so that **Made in Cameroon** products can flourish and contribute to the effective implementation of the country's import-substitution policy.

Cultural immersion

International military advisers visit the Douala Maritime Museum



A moment during the visit

Drawn from about 20 countries, these officers discovered a part of Cameroon's maritime and cultural history on 19 September 2026. .

On the side-lines of the training seminar for military advisers which started on 14 September

2026 at Onomo Hotel in Bonanjo, under the auspices of the Ministry of Defence, 37 officers visited the Douala Maritime Museum.

On hand to receive them was the Service Head of the Douala Maritime Museum, **Mr. Vincent De Bien Mbock**, who led them through

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the different exhibition halls, helping them discover some facets of the history of Cameroon. The history began with the traditional Sawa canoes, then moved to the sale of shrimps, the slave trade and trade with colonial powers, ending with modern day maritime history. Through these various stages, the officers got a better understanding of the evolution of relations between Cameroon and the sea.

One of the highlights of this immersion visit was the discovery of the second floor with focus on shipping. During this part of the visit, **Mrs. Mahfoudh Raies Bouzgarrou**, a senior officer in the Tunisian Navy and a member of the delegation, shared her knowledge of the various parts of a ship with her peers, explaining their names and functions.

The visit ended with the projection of a documentary on the production of the traditional canoe exhibited on the ground floor of the Museum. Through this cultural immersion, the military advisers rounded off their stay in Cameroon with the discovery of its rich maritime heritage.