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Perak
Seaport Alliance
United States

Welcome to the latest edition of Lloyd's List One Hundred Ports, tallying up the annual container throughput figures of the world's elite port facilities.

Following a robust return in the previous year, top 100 volume growth softened slightly in 2018, from 6% to 4.8%. Yet it was certainly a figure not to be sniffed at.

Growth – although fragmented – was strong globally. Slowing economic growth in China did little to hinder throughput development, while Southeast Asia's rise as a box trade powerhouse gathered pace.

However, all regions played a part in 2018's success.

As with other years there was the usual spread of winners and losers in 2018, as ports continued to prosper at the expense of others, whether through carrier alliance wins or the opening of new facilities to absorb traffic from elsewhere.

We also lost four ports from the rankings this year, while welcoming the return of San Antonio, Abu Dhabi and Buenos Aires, in addition to Chinese debutant Jiaxing.

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ALL ↖ CLIMBERS — NON-MOVERS ↘ FALLERS ⊕ NEW ENTRIES

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Shanghai
China

— 02

Singapore
Singapore

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Ningbo-Zhoushan
China

↘ 04

Shenzhen
China

↖ 05

Guangzhou
China

— 06

Busan
South Korea

↘ 07

Hong Kong
China

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Qingdao
China

↖ 09

Tianjin
China

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Dubai
United Arab Emirates

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Rotterdam
The Netherlands

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Port Klang
Malaysia

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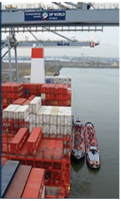
Antwerp
Belgium



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Xiamen
China

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Kaohsiung
Taiwan

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Dalian
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Los Angeles
United States

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Tanjung Pelepas
Malaysia

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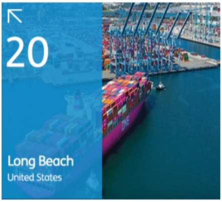
Hamburg
Germany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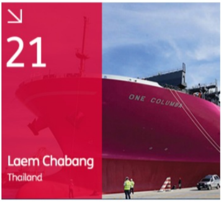
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Laem Chabang
Thailand

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Tanjung Priok
Indonesia

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New York/ New Jersey
United States

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Colombo
Sri Lanka

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Ho Chi Minh City
Vietnam

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Yingkou
China

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Bremen/ Bremerhaven
Germany

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Jawaharlal Nehru
India

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Valencia
Spain

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Manila
Philippines

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Taicang
China

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Piraeus
Greece

COSCO SHIPPING

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Algeciras
Spain

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Lianyungang
China

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Tokyo
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Mundra
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Savannah
United States

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Colon
Panama

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Brazil

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Saudi Arabia

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Indonesia

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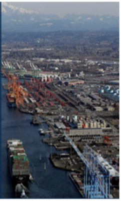
Seaport Alliance
United States


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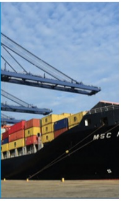

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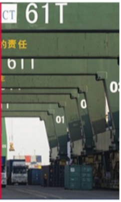
Dongguan
China



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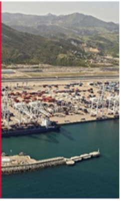
Tanger Med
Morocco



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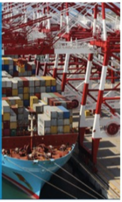

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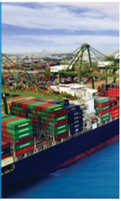
Fuzhou
China



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Vancouver
Canada

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Salalah
Oman

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Marsaxlokk
Malta

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Nanjing
China

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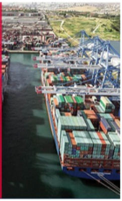
Ambarli
Turkey



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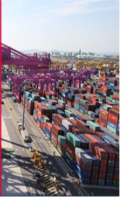
Incheon
South Korea



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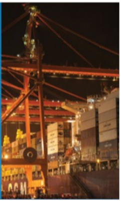
Mexico



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Port Said
Egypt

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Yokohama
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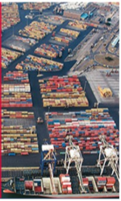

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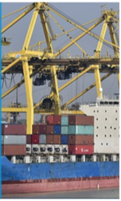

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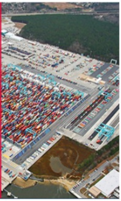

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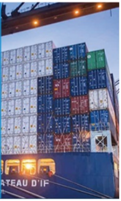

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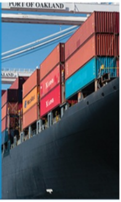

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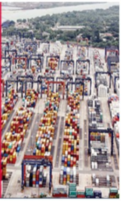

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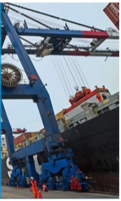

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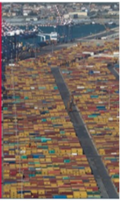

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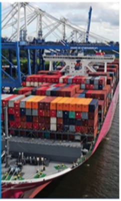

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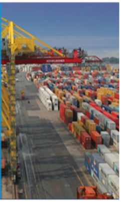

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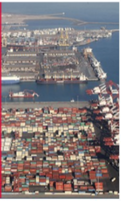

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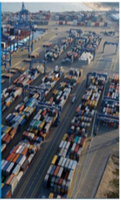

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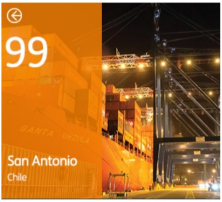

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Taipei
Taiwan

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