CONTAINER VGM: ONE MONTH OUT - ARE YOU READY?

ICHCA Container Weighing Seminar

Wednesday 1 June 2016 | OCHA Training Center, Antwerp, Belgium

ICHCA International, the voice of global cargo handling, brings you a highly focused working seminar concentrating on 3 key aspects:

1. Are you ready to ***Comply***?
2. How should VGM be ***Communicated***?
3. Thinking about a ***Contingency*** plan

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ICHCA as an NGO to IMO was involved in drafting the new SOLAS VGM regulations and is now working alongside IMO and other key industry bodies to facilitate global implementation of this landmark container safety rule.

Despite a flurry of recent reports, one thing is certain – irrespective of how national governments choose to carry out enforcement, SOLAS VGM will become international maritime law on 1 July 2016.

This point was very clearly articulated by IMO senior executives speaking at ICHCA's recent Barcelona conference, who also urged global supply chain members to step up cross-sector dialogue to ensure successful implementation.

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COMPLIANCE, COMMUNICATION & CONTINGENCY

While the shipper is responsible for providing VGM data, both the ship's master and the terminal operator also have a duty not to load boxes without VGM data onto vessels. ***Compliance*** is thus a shared responsibility and ***communication*** between all the different parties is critical – both to resolve the many difficult issues that remain in the run-up to 1 July, and thereafter to ensure that VGM data flows through the system as it should.

But what will happen on 1 July and the immediate months following when large numbers of containers show up in port – as is widely expected – without VGM data? ***Contingency*** planning is also now crucial for all the stakeholders, to avoid potentially disastrous impact on container chains as the new regulations bed in.

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SEMINAR AGENDA

08:00 Registration, refreshments and networking

09:00 WELCOME REMARKS

Capt. Richard Brough OBE, Technical Adviser, ICHCA International & Director, Brough Marine

09:15 SESSION 1: COMPLIANCE – THE EMERGING LEGAL & LIABILITY LANDSCAPE

COMPLIANCE

- What is required from the shipper, terminal and carrier for SOLAS VGM compliance – the new rules at the IMO level
- How are national competent authorities approaching SOLAS VGM enforcement and what does this mean for industry compliance in practice?
- What are the liability and criminal implications of non-compliance?

Moderator

Capt. Richard Brough OBE Technical Adviser, ICHCA International

Panel

Ian Dunmill, Assistant Director, International Organization of Legal Metrology
Simon Everett, Managing Director, Strainstall
Matthew Gore, Partner, Holman Fenwick Willan
Michael Yarwood, Claims Executive and Risk Manager, TT Club
Jos van der Meché, Lawyer and partner, Transport & Energy, AKD

11:00 Refreshments and networking

11:30 SESSION 2: COMMUNICATION - CAPTURING VGM DATA & FLOWING IT THROUGH THE SUPPLY CHAIN

COMMUNICATION

- Weighing up implementation – how is technology adoption shaping up?
- What does a VGM actually look like? How do you know when you have one?
- FOB/CIF, LCL/FCL – how does the shipment type impact the VGM processs

Moderator

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Panel

Jon Arnold, Market Specialist, Intercomp
Stewart Campbell, Divisional Manager – Logistics, Avery Weigh-Tronix
Lars Meurling, VP, Bromma Conquip
Stephan Trauth, Key Account Manager Hirschmann Automation and Control
Beat Zwygart, Manager, Conductix-Wampfler

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13:00 Lunch & networking
During the lunch break, delegates will be given the opportunity to visit OCHA's state-of-the-art simulators for straddle carriers, mobile cranes and ship-to-shore cranes.

CONTINGENCY

- Contingency planning for 1 July and aftermath – how to prevent port congestion and supply chain breakdown
- What happens when the VGM data is not there – or does not arrive in time?
- What happens to non-compliant boxes with cargoes requiring special attention in port i.e. refrigerated and dangerous goods?
- What do ports do if the VGM declared prior to container delivery does not match a gross weight obtained in port?

14:30 SESSION 3: CONTINGENCY – KNOWING WHAT TO DO WHEN THINGS GO WRONG

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Michael Yarwood, Claims Executive and Risk Manager, TT Club
Chris Welsh CBE, General Secretary, Global Shippers Forum & Chairman ILO/IMO/UNECE Group of Experts

16:00 Refreshments and networking

16:30 SESSION 4: NEXT STEPS - IS KNOWING VGM ENOUGH?

- CTU packing
- Lashing and securing
- Training

Moderator

Capt. Richard Brough OBE, Technical Adviser, ICHCA International

Panel

James Douglas, Director, Exis Technologies

17:30 Conclusions and next steps

Capt. Richard Brough OBE, Technical Adviser, ICHCA International & Director, Brough Marine

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17:45 Closing remarks and acknowledgements

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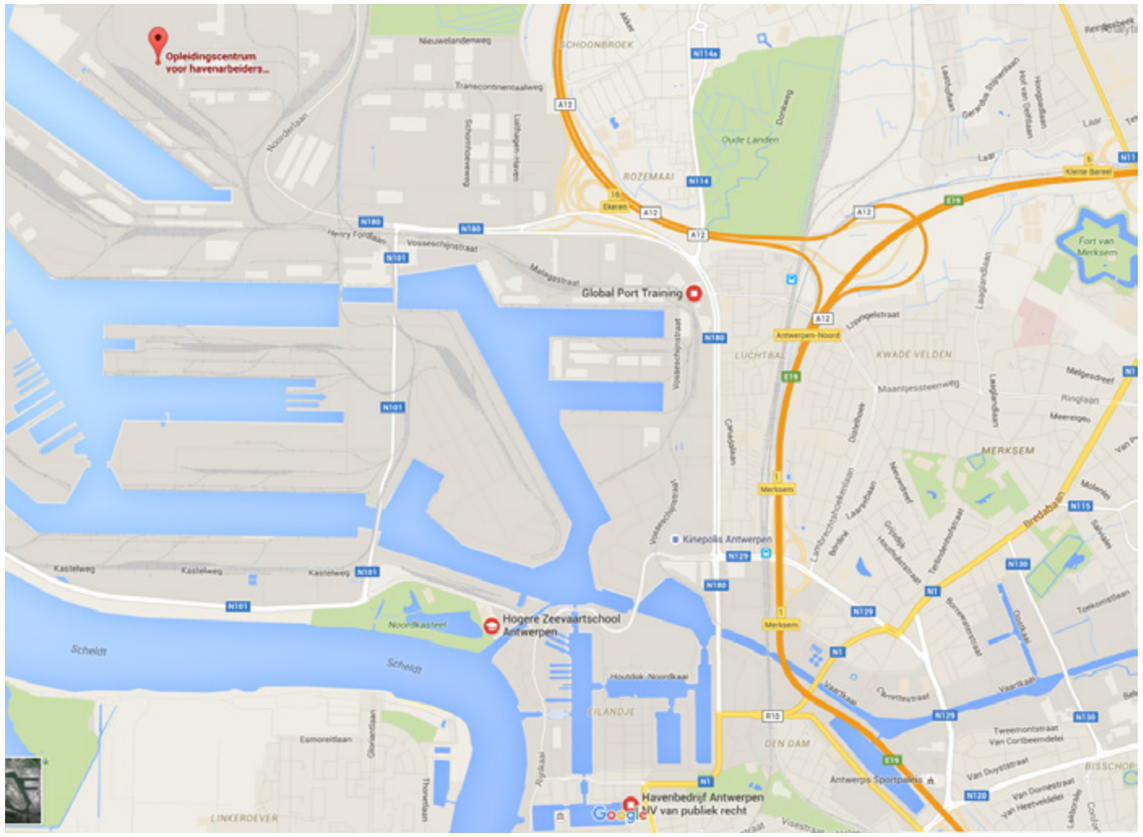

SPEAKERS

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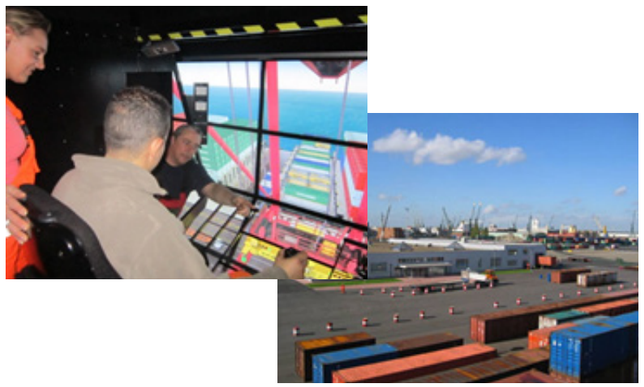
SEE STATE-OF-THE-ART SIMULATORS

Participants at the seminar will have the opportunity to visit OCHA's state-of-the-art simulators for straddle carriers, mobile cranes and ship-to-shore cranes. Delegates will also have a 20 minute guided tour around the 35,000 m² training area.



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