

time:matters and Golden Cargo launch time-critical maritime and ship spares solutions

<u>Neu-Isenburg</u>, 13.03.2013: time:matters, the expert for international Special Speed Logistics, and Golden Cargo, the specialist for global maritime logistics have joined forces to launch special logistics solutions for the maritime industry. Therefore, with immediate effect, two strong logistics experts will work hand in hand as partners in the ship spares sector, combining speed and competence for the special needs of maritime shippers.

time:matters offers customized customer solutions for extremely time-critical and complex logistics challenges. Through its sameday network and exclusive partnerships, time:matters provides a unique platform for highly urgent transports throughout Europe and to major industrial centres worldwide, thereby ensuring valuable goods are priority loaded onto the next possible flights. Golden Cargo is the logistics expert for maritime and ship spares logistics and has excellent networks both in Greece and throughout the world at their disposal. Due to its close connection to the global shipping group Golden Union and its longtime experience with the ship spares market, Golden Cargo offers reliable customer solutions in the maritime sector and valuable value-added services at strategically important locations (ports and maritime gateways), providing specialized customs clearance processes and delivery services, such as on-board and shipside deliveries. All this is supported by an industry-specific IT solution; in-depth industry knowledge is essential when dealing with ship spares logistics. Relationships with ship management companies, ship operators and owners as well as agencies and manufacturers around the globe, are just as important as a network of strategically located offices and specialized partners in maritime hot spots.

Combining the strengths and network of time:matters in Special Speed Logistics with Golden Cargo's maritime expertise (incl. customs clearance, specialized handling and delivery) creates a foundation that allows for high-speed & high-reliability maritime industry solutions. The cooperation between time:matters and Golden Cargo further strengthens the market position of each company, while generating a considerable added value for their customers.

Kostis Achladitis, Managing Director at Golden Cargo, comments: "We view the collaboration with time:matters as an excellent opportunity to combine our companies' strengths and experiences in a profitable manner and, in doing so, to develop even better logistics solutions for our customers together. Especially the combination of special speed and maritime logistics will allow us to unleash an enormous innovation potential."



Franz-Joseph Miller, CEO of time:matters GmbH, emphasizes: "Through the cooperation with Golden Cargo, we are consistently expanding our service portfolio and utilizing valuable synergy effects. Our customers benefit especially from the combined expertise in the maritime and ship spares sectors as well as from an expanded transport network, with the shortest cut-off times and even more options for tailor-made logistics solutions."

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The expert for Special Speed Logistics offers each of its clients customized logistics solutions for particularly urgent or complex special logistics assignments, enabling worldwide delivery within just a few hours. The Special Speed Solutions provided by time:matters worldwide are based on high-speed and reliable transport by air, rail and road, as well as a tight international network consisting of more than 500 exclusive transportation partners. time:matters generally has access to all available airlines and can therefore utilize a wide range of flight routes: over 3,000 flights per day, to some 500 destinations in 90 countries. time:matters operates its own courier terminal for express and courier shipments at Frankfurt Airport.

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