

*The change from road to rail between Scandinavia and the continent continues*

## **Hector Rail to power intermodal trains Malmö -- Duisburg**

**With start January 26 Hector Rail will run trains between Malmö and Duisburg. Hector Rail will act as a subcontractor to TX Logistik, which has created this non-stop service Malmö -- Duisburg. The contract with TX Logistik has duration of three years and will employ two locomotives with the special equipment needed to cross the Öresund Bridge. Hector Rail has ten such locomotives in its locomotive fleet. These locomotives are capable of operation in Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Germany.**

The total trip Malmö – Duisburg takes approximately 13 hours. The distance is more than 900 kilometres; consequently the average speed is approximately 70 km/h for the distance through three countries.

Each train will replace 38 trailers. Standard trailers and so called mega trailers are both possible to be loaded on the train. The locomotives meet highest possible environmental standards, since they are equipped with regenerative brakes.

Initially, the frequency will be four trains per week in each direction. It is planned to increase the frequency during the spring.

“We are happy to be part of such a future oriented transport solution” states Mats Nyblom Managing Director of Hector Rail, “and with future oriented we mean short lead times, high quality and to meet highest possible demands on minimising impact on climate and environmental.”

Since November 2009 Hector Rail runs a train between Oslo and Padborg for TX Logistik. With this new set up the co-operation continues.

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