

Press Release

Hamburg Süd is dbh pilot partner for the implementation of the „Entry Summary Declaration“ in 11 European countries

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One of the major providers of worldwide ocean transportation, Hamburg Süd, has decided for the services of dbh Logistics IT AG. The project comprises the implementation of the electronic processing of the Entry Summary Declaration (ENS) in 11 European countries: The Netherlands, Italy, Spain, Great Britain, Portugal, Cyprus, France, Belgium, Malta, Greece and Germany.

Starting by the end of 2009, intensive discussions have been going on with all responsible persons at Hamburg Süd and dbh Logistics IT AG in order to realize the ENS-project. As an important step towards the preparation of the project, both companies carried out a workshop at the beginning of the year 2010.

Head of Marketing & eCommerce, Paul Wenger, states: “dbh was able to convince us thanks to their professional competence as well as quick realisation of the project - important arguments for us in order to take the right decision”. Furthermore, dbh has a strong country-specific know-how assuring the integration of the abroad software solution into the existing booking system at Hamburg Süd.

Background information about the European Entry Summary Declaration (ENS)

The EU Entry Summary Declaration (ENS) is an EU-wide order which all economic operators must integrate in their logistics processes by January 1st 2011. ENS is a component of the European Import Control System (ICS). The goal of the EU Entry Summary Declaration is to standardize risk analysis on a European level as well as expedite processing and speed up goods release subsequent to their arrival.

VO (EC) 648/2005 commits customs declarants to deliver entry summary declarations in advance to Customs authorities. Information must be readily available before the goods are loaded in the country of departure which is currently only required shortly prior to or even upon arrival of the goods. Additionally, the chain of information amongst the operators is to be further refined and expanded in order to provide the necessary data to the various customs declarants at the correct point in time.

An EU Entry Summary Declaration must also be electronically supplied at the first point of entry within the EU. The implementation of security and risk analysis at customs will in some cases consequently deeply affect the existing commercial processes of economic operators.

A software solution that offers the appropriate country linkage is required so that customs declarants can fulfill their delivery obligations in the various (entry) countries of the EU.

Joint know-how is strength. The combination of the Hamburg Süd competences in ocean traffic as well as their strong European network and the software solution of dbh, provide a solid and necessary basis for this project. These were the crucial factors for the cooperation in order to realise a Europe-wide solution for ENS. All 11 European countries will be connected by January 1st 2011. Interfaces will be integrated into the dbh solution Advantage Pre-Declaration which is operated in a hosting environment in the data-center at dbh.

You can find further information about dbh accomplishments at:
<http://www.dbh.de/en/navigation/products/customs-solutions/advantage-pre-declaration.html>

Important to know:

The EU Entry Summary Declaration is also referred to as Pre-Arrival, 24 hours rule, ENS or Pre-Declaration.

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