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Regular transport of vehicles from Western Europe to China and vice versa starting in June 2019

Hybrid transportation of cars by combination of double deck rail wagons and containers

Wolnzach. ARS Altmann AG and its partner Intermodal Container Logistics Vienna (ICL) are about to take the next step on the new silk road by implementing so-called RoRo trains (= Roll on, Roll off) to the prestigious route between the two economic powers Europe and China.

The concept of transporting and trading goods on the Eurasian continent by using container trains has been adopted by the automotive industry as the rail offers numerous advantages regarding costs and lead times, guarantees reliable routes and gives access to new and emerging regions. Utilizing special car carrier wagons allows for a high loading factor and offers the advantages the railway exhibits in comparison to sea and air freight.

ARS Altmann AG already successfully organized and realized the first ever consistent automotive RoRo train from Bremerhaven to Chongqing via Altmann's compound in Chernyakhovsk which can be approached both by European and Russian railway wagons. Now ARS Altmann AG joins forces with ICL to start establishing a hybrid solution which combines the usage of containers and double deck rail wagons to transport cars both from China to Europe and vice versa.

The route from the center of Europe to the heart of China will go via Kazakhstan, Russia, Belarus and Poland and is meant to process two complete block trains per week, i.e. up to 40.000 units per year.

“We attach great importance to the economic and technical growth of China and its automotive industry in particular and have – over the last two years – established a concepts to provide our globally acting customers a solid and holistic solution to distribute their products in the corridor from Europe to China and vice versa. This offers our customers both – a door-to-door-concept between China and Europe using covered wagons on the entire route as well as the possibility to complement the container concept with rail car wagons, a so-called hybrid solution”, explained Frank Lehner, Chief of Internationalization at ARS Altmann AG.

The common goal of ARS Altmann AG and ICL is to install – together with their

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customer, a globally positioned OEM – a consistent RoRo solution to connect Europe with China.

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As a successful forwarding and logistics company, ARS Altmann AG is one of the leading service providers for automotive logistics in Europe with headquarters in Wolnzach. In addition to the transport of vehicles by rail and road, we also take care of the entire service around the automobile.

For more than 40 years we have been passionate about our work and fulfill our orders with the highest quality, flexibility and absolute reliability.

ARS Altmann AG pursues a consistent growth strategy, also in the international markets. For more than 25 years, we have been relying on qualified junior staff from our own company and therefore provide training in a wide variety of areas.