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## Highlights

### Singapore seen as 'Big Winner' from Alliance Reshuffle

From 1<sup>st</sup> April, four shipping alliances will transform to three as THE Alliance and the Ocean Alliance begin operations.

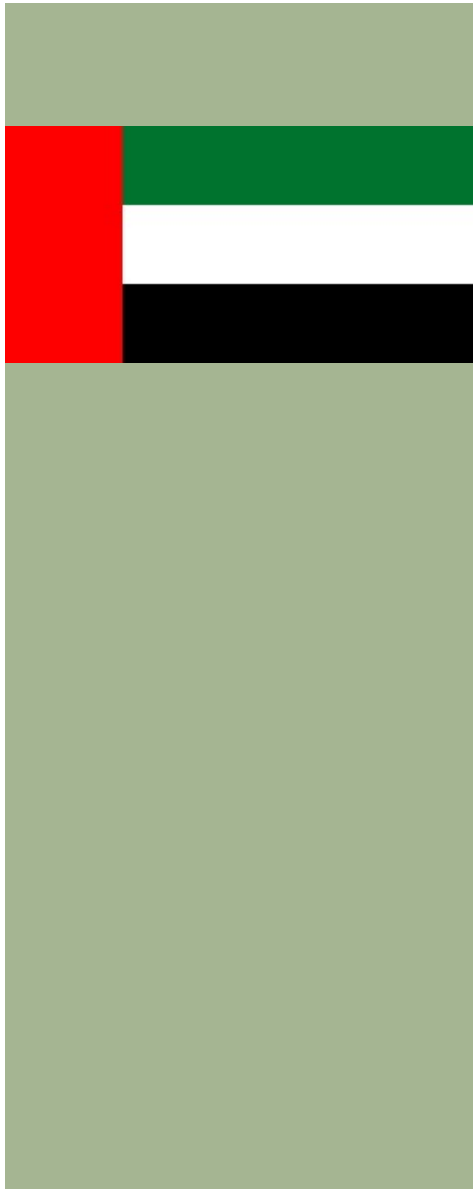
Combined, the three alliances represent about 77% of global container capacity and 96% of all East-West trades. The reshuffle is expected to shake things up for the shipping industry.

In Asia, Singapore is set to benefit the most as it will receive 5 more weekly calls up from the current 29 calls. On the other hand, Port Klang and Hong Kong will be hit the hardest. Port Klang will have its number of weekly calls reduced from 11 to only 5, while Hong Kong will see 7 weekly calls of North European loops and 3 weekly calls of Mediterranean loops, down from 10 and 5 calls respectively.

Analyst firm Alphaliner also identified Rotterdam Port as the key port on the European side. The loss of 2 weekly calls will be compensated by 2 calls from 2M.

According to shipping consultant Drewry, shippers have been cautioned to expect delays upon the launch of the new alliances. Given such a major restructuring and the huge number of port pairs involved, there may be potential service disruptions.





## Country Focus – United Arab Emirates (U.A.E)

**Globelink West Star** has a team consists of more than 700 people and actively expanding to other prospective Middle East countries like Saudi Arabia with planned offices in Riyadh, Dammam and Jeddah.

- Dubai (Head Office)
- Abu Dhabi
- Sharjah
- Doha
- Kuwait

U.A.E is a country located at the southeast end of the Arabian Peninsula on the Persian Gulf. As a relatively young nation established in 1971 by combining 7 kingdoms, U.A.E is the maritime flagship of the Middle East.

Dubai, the commercial hub with an enviable infrastructure is progressive by global standards and has a world-class business environment. The Jebel Ali port in Dubai is the transshipment hub for Middle East & Africa region.

Jebel Ali Port operated by DP World UAE Region, is the largest marine terminal in the Middle East and the flagship facility of DP World's portfolio of over 65 marine terminals across six continents. Strategically located in Dubai, Jebel Ali port is at the crossroads of a region providing market access to over 2 billion people. As an integrated multi-modal hub offering sea, air and land connectivity, complemented by extensive logistics facilities, Jebel Ali Port plays a vital role in the UAE economy. It is a premier gateway for over 90 weekly services connecting more than 140 ports worldwide.





**Globelink West Star Shipping Kuwait**, set up in 2009, has already established itself as a dominant player mainly offering import services, local customs clearance and door deliveries. Combining the strength of GLWSS Dubai and with a dedicated team of professionals, the Kuwait office has shown a steady and sustained growth over the period of years since its inception.

Despite its small geographic size, Kuwait is a giant in the oil and gas industry, providing an enabling environment for the Freight Forwarding industry to be a part of this consumption story. The presence Globelink West Star in Kuwait will continue to play an important role is providing quality logistics services to local as well as overseas clients.

**Globelink West Star Shipping, Doha**, was established in the year 2012 to realize this huge business potential in future. The state of Qatar is an important member of the Gulf Cooperation Council. Qatar is a developed country, backed by the world's third largest natural gas and oil reserves. Qatar Chamber of Commerce providing a business stimulating environment has become one of the most prominent investment destinations for lots of foreign companies.

Following the tradition of the GLWSS Dubai's customer centric approach with high level of commitments to customer services, GLWSS Doha created an identity for itself in Qatar. In line with the general consumption story in Qatar, the activities are mainly concentrated on the import services.



Globelink West Star Shipping can shoulder your challenges of shipping to or from the Arabian Gulf. We have international experts in place who know the culture, speak the language and can get things done thousands of miles from your desk.



Globelink West Star Shipping is one of the largest  
LCL consolidators in the Arabian Gulf.

Globelink West Star's global LCL network reinforces its place among the most dynamic and dependable LCL service providers in the Middle East. GLWS has direct consolidation services to 35 most prominent destinations across the world in Asia, Africa, Europe & USA. GLWS focuses on strategically located transshipment hubs at various spheres like Singapore, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Barcelona and New York to cover the length and breadth of various continents. The services are mainly catering to the NVOCC / freight forwarders leveraging the consistency and reliability of Globelink global consolidation network of agents & associate offices.

GLWS with its unyielding focus & innovation in services to its clients could establish an identity and leadership for itself in the U.A.E as well as the entire Middle East region. The emphasize of exclusivity on "LCL" with dedicated team to handle various disciplines and process earned a true brand value across Middle East region for the company as a whole.

The launch of a new interactive website ([www.glweststardubai.com](http://www.glweststardubai.com)) provides more information about GLWS and the services offered, including a 3 minutes video which conveys "What Globelink West Star" is all about.





## Relocation of Globelink Office – Hyderabad Branch



**Important Notice**

### **New location:**

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## New Consolidation Service

We have added the following consolidation service into our CWT Globelink Group network:

- **Ho Chi Minh to Tokyo/Yokohama**

Carrier: K'line

Sailing day: Wednesday, Sunday

Transit time: 7 days

Frequency: Twice per week

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## Holidays in APRIL 2017

Australia	14 Apr	Good Friday
	16 Apr	Easter Sunday
	17 Apr	Easter Monday
	25 Apr	Anzac Day
Bulgaria	14 Apr	Orthodox Good Friday
	17 Apr	Orthodox Easter Monday
China	05 Apr	Ching Ming Festival
Costa Rica	11 Apr	Juan Santamaria's Day
	13 Apr	Maundy Thursday
	14 Apr	Good Friday
Croatia	17 Apr	Easter Monday
Egypt	16 Apr	Coptic Easter Sunday
	17 Apr	Spring Festival (Sham El Nessim)
	25 Apr	Sinai Liberation Day
Guatemala	13 Apr	Maundy Thursday
	14 Apr	Good Friday
	15 Apr	Easter Saturday
Hong Kong	04 Apr	Ching Ming Festival
	14 to 15 Apr	Good Friday
	17 Apr	Easter Monday
India	14 Apr	Good Friday
Indonesia	14 Apr	Good Friday
	24 Apr	Isra Mi'raj Nabi Muhammad
Kuwait	24 Apr	Isra and Miraj
Philippines	09 Apr	Araw ng Kagitingan
	13 Apr	Maundy Thursday
	14 Apr	Good Friday
	15 Apr	Black Saturday
Portugal	14 Apr	Good Friday
	16 Apr	Easter Day
	25 Apr	Liberation Day
Romania	16 to 17 Apr	Orthodox Easter
Singapore	14 Apr	Good Friday
Slovenia	16 Apr	Easter Day
	17 Apr	Easter Monday
	27 Apr	Resistance Day
Spain	13 Apr	Maundy Thursday
	14 Apr	Good Friday
Sri Lanka	11 Apr	Bak Full Moon Poya Day
	13 to 14 Apr	Sinhala and Tamil New Year
	14 Apr	Good Friday
Taiwan	03 to 04 Apr	Children's Day
	05 Apr	Tomb Sweeping Day
Turkey	23 Apr	National Sovereignty & Children's Day
U.A.E	24 Apr	Isra and Miraj
United Kingdom	14 Apr	Good Friday
	17 Apr	Easter Monday
Vietnam	06 Apr	Hung Kings Commemoration Day



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