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# Interrijn also acquires Eurokor

Interrijn, logistics specialist with wide-ranging inland shipping activities, is further strengthening its market position with its acquisition of Eurokor Barging (Ridderkerk). Collectively, the companies transported 7.5 million tons in 2021 and have a fleet of over 100 barges and pushbarges. 'Together we can cover a wider range of freight types and shipping areas, as well as offer improved transport guarantees to our relations and more certainty to our captains', Interrijn CEO Matthijs Mannak explained the acquisition.

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The acquisition ensures Interrijn's expansion to become an even larger European logistics service provider with a shipping area extending from all large European sea ports to Belgium, France, Germany, and Switzerland. Interrijn's strategy of scaling up, integration and collaboration enables it to continue to be a stable factor in the chain for increasing numbers of logistics partners. The Eurokor deal is the second acquisition since the appointment of Interrijn CEO, Matthijs Mannak in 2019. Mannak stated: 'Eurokor is a fantastic company that operates along the same principles as we do. So it's a great match. We both have a no-nonsense mentality, manage logistics chains, and introduce smart solutions, but do that in the background.'

Eurokor Director, Heiko Evink is delighted with the acquisition. 'It's a fantastic moment. After almost two decades of independent operations, we realized we needed to prepare ourselves for a changing future. The market is becoming increasingly transparent and competitive. With Interrijn, we have

chosen a strong and stable partner to safeguard Eurokor's future.' The similarities between the Interrijn and Eurokor DNA are an important reason for choosing Interrijn. 'We are moving forwards in a new environment and with renewed enthusiasm, which gives us peace of mind and confidence in the future; for our clients and associates as well as our employees.'

## **About Interrijn**

Interrijn is a well-known name in the inland shipping sector with a clear supply chain approach. It offers support in the sea ports (port logistics) to transport via inland shipping, and smart storage in pushbarges close to sea ports (floating storage). Interrijn has also developed several key specialisms in its 50 years of business operations. From its Rhine Ro-Ro Service, a scheduled service for heavy rolling machines and equipment, inland shipping of passenger cars from sea ports to the hinterland and vice versa, to transport and storage on the water of (break)bulk cargo, including aluminium, building materials, animal feed, and woodpulp.

## About Eurokor Barging B.V.

Eurokor Barging B.V. was founded in 2003 and focuses on freight forwarding of diverse freight and shipments with vessels varying from 500 to 4,000 tons. With clients with bigger cargo including agricultural products, minerals, solid fuels, ores, building materials, and project cargo. The working area extends from the Benelux and Germany to France, Switzerland, and Hungary.

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