

# **Liege Autonomous Port - Liege Trilogiport Multimodal Platform**

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Year of commitment: 2015

Sustainable mobility: Shipping Infrastructures, Greenways

Biodiversity & Ecosystems: / Urban Farming, Shared garden, Ecoystem restauration /



#### Manager / Dealer

DPW Liege Container Terminals, WDP , Jost Group et Weerts Supply Chain

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## The Autonomous Port of Liège: a real citizen port

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Of the 120 ha of Liège Trilogiport, nearly 40 hectares (39 ha more precisely, ie nearly 1/3) are devoted to this environmental integration zone.

Fruit of the exchanges and the permanent and constructive dialogue with the local residents, this zone of environmental integration contents:

- · residents by creating orchards and community gardens;
- fishermen through pontoons specially made for fishing;
- walkers and cyclists with RAVeL;
- lovers of nature through waterways with footbridge and a wooded area of 4 hectares;
- protected calamine toads;
- and the local flora and fauna!

## **Progress Status**

Delivered

## **Data Reliability**

Self-declared

## **Funding Type**

Public

## Website Enterprise / Infrastructure

http://www.portdeliege.be/fr/

## Sustainable Development

#### Attractiveness

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#### Well Being :

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The development of this area obviously aims to favor the waterway and / or the rail. In terms of mobility, a new bridge has been built to ensure direct access between the port platform and the near motorway. The soft mobility also integrates the project thanks to the construction of a new RAVeL which bypasses this new port area and completes the already existing RAVeL network.

## Preservation / Environmental Improvement :

An environmental integration zone has been created to best ensure the landscape integration of this new port area "Liège Trilogiport". It includes orchards, community gardens, a protection area for calamine toads ... We also aim for intermodality (optimal combination of different modes of transport) and the modal shift from the road to the waterway.

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## Responsible use of resources :

## Testimony / Feedback

## Governance

Autonomous Port of Liège

Holder Type: Public Local Firm

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Manager / Dealer Type: Private

Business Model:

The development of the Liège Trilogiport platform in a few key dates:

- o 2003- 2006 Development of the Liège Trilogiport concept
- 2006 2013: Administrative process of the file (procedure for acquisition and management of land by Wallonia, organization of public information meetings, environmental impact study, granting of planning permission, realization of first preparatory works of the Liège Trilogiport area ...)
- 2013 2015 Development and construction of the multimodal platform (development of the Liège Trilogiport multimodal platform and its road and rail
  access)
- November 14, 2015 Inauguration by King Philippe of Belgium
- Spring 2016 Start of container terminal managed by DP World
- 2016 Construction of the first logistics hall developed by WDP
- o September 2016

Home of the first user company Tempo Log Belgium - 18.000m²

- o 2017 Construction of the first second logistics hall developed by JostGroup- 44.000m²
- o 2018 Start of JostGroup's commercial activities on the Liège Trilogiport site

Today, the Port of Liège represents an essential economic engine for the whole of our territory, since its creation in 1937. With a hundred companies representing more than 20.000 jobs, its 382 hectares of port lands put at the disposal of the companies, its leading port facilities, its position in the heart of Europe, the PAL has become a leading river port and an essential platform for European logistics.

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#### Sustainable Solutions

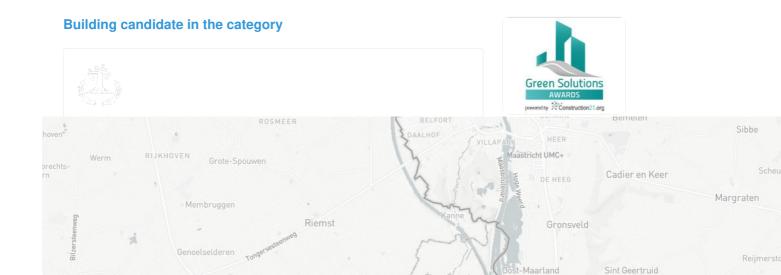
- Governance :
- Mobility:
- Economic development :
- Biodiversity:
- o Urban project governance
- Citizen participation
- Business parks
- Soft transportation
- Infrastructure
- Citizen-awareness

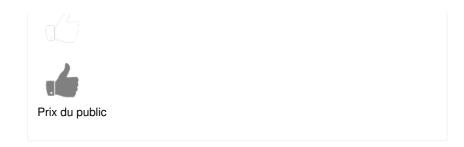
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