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Post-Brexit procedures, handling
and logistics in Belgian ports

7 December 2020

Agenda

- **New procedures and controls for transport to and from UK**
 - Customs and Excises Department
 - Food Safety Agency
- **Handling sequence of traffic flows and port community systems**
 - Port of Zeebrugge
 - Port of Antwerp
- **Traffic flows and recommended roads to the seaports**
 - Flemish Agency for Roads and Traffic



1. New procedures and controls for transport to and from UK

Customs and Excises Departement





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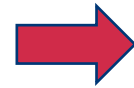
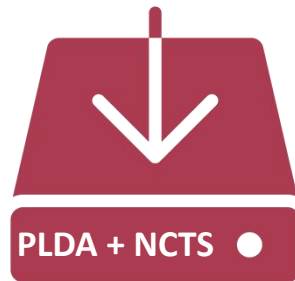


Customs supervision on all the goodsflows between the EU and the UK

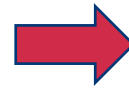
**386 ADDITIONAL CUSTOMS
OFFICERS**



**1st DECEMBER:
RECRUITED and
TRAINED**



Stress test



Corrections « Brexit »



**New version in
production**



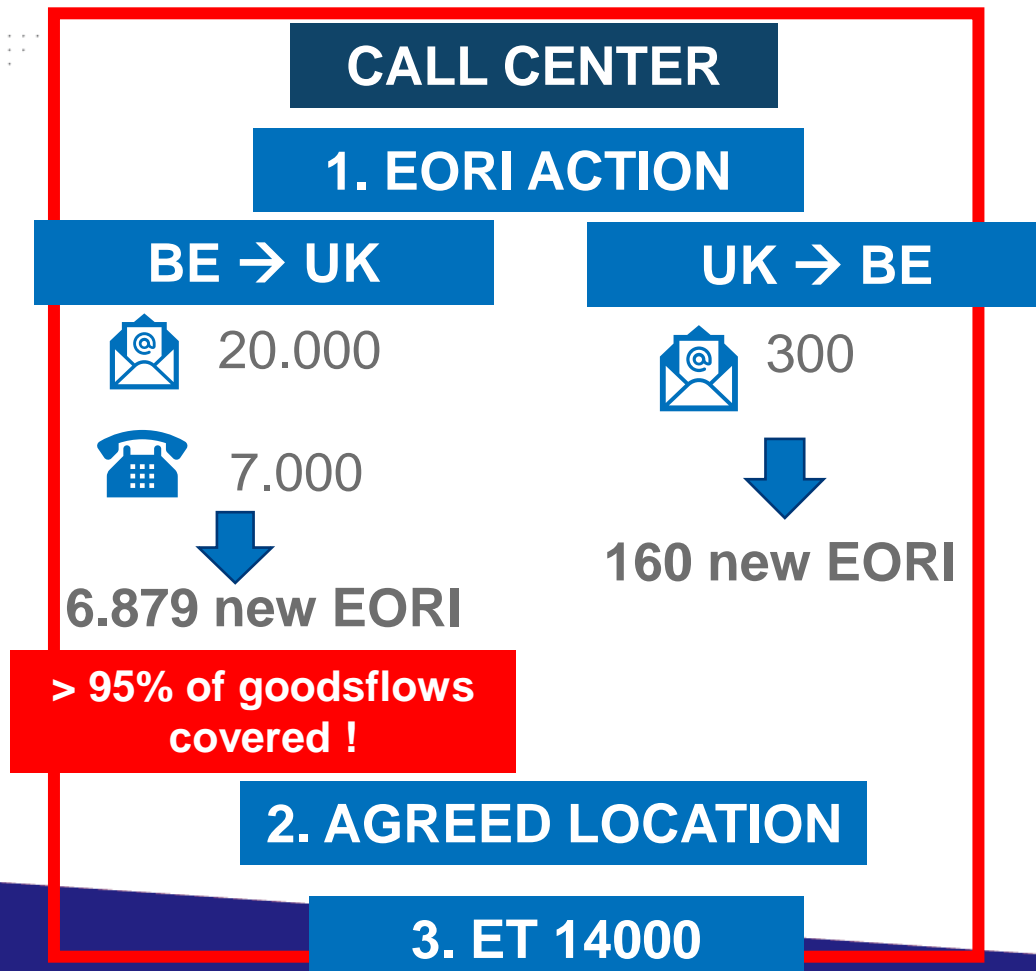
**PCS
Bieriset**



**PCS are linked with Customs
systems**



Inform trade and private persons about the consequences of the Brexit on customs-level



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UNACCOMPANIED FREIGHT TRAILER OR CONTAINER

Benefits for Brexit:

- No driver required for crossing → **availability**
 - Trucks and drivers do not need **licences** to operate overseas
 - **Space** for storage and warehousing
 - **Predictable** time of delivery
 - Direct links to Ireland (no customs formalities)
 - Lower risk for congestion
- Requirements:
 - Transport on both side
 - Perishables require conditioned transport
 - **Booking in advance**



HOW DOES IT WORK?

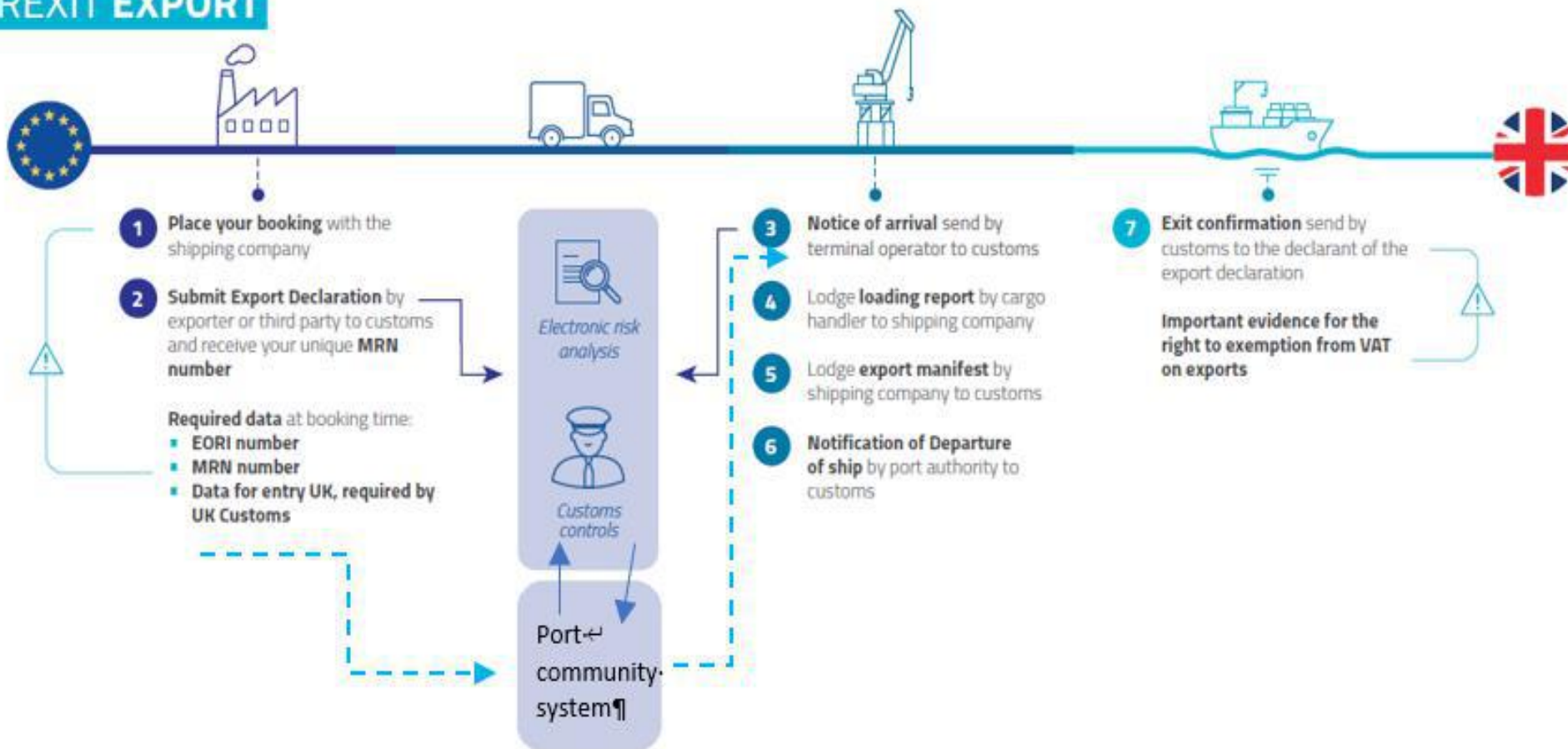
- ENS is lodged by the carriers
- Possibilities
 - Full declaration (TS procedure)
 - Pre-lodgement using type D declaration
 - Transit procedure
- Short sea container lines in Antwerp and Ghent
- Ro-Ro services (unaccompanied) in Zeebruges





Scheme Export Process

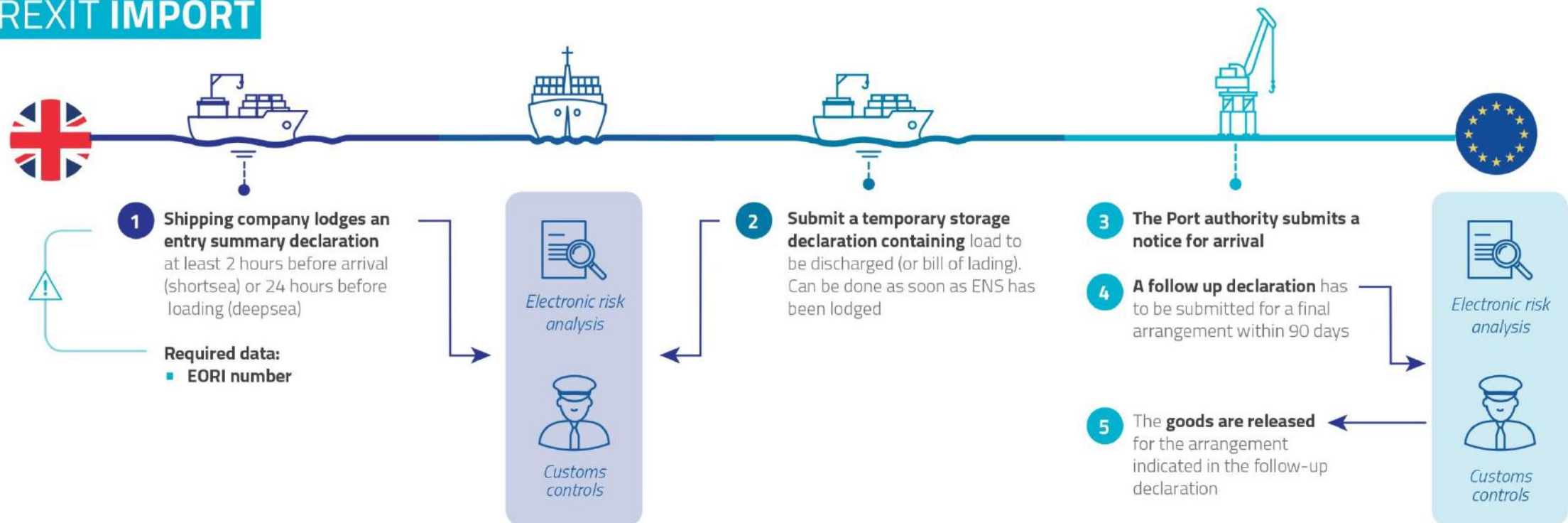
BREXIT EXPORT





Scheme Import Process

BREXIT IMPORT





EXAMPLE CONFORMITY: PRODUCTS ENTERING THE EU MARKET

- Before placing a product on the EU market, make sure it **complies with the EU technical regulations**.
- Harmonized products: **CE markings** and right documentation.
- Notified bodies: All the products should be certified by a **notified body within the EU**, where applicable.



EXAMPLE CONFORMITY ISSUES: PRODUCTS ENTERING THE UK MARKET

- Harmonized products: **UKCA markings** instead of CE marks;
- Notified bodies: to find in the **UK Database of notified bodies**.

2. New procedures and controls for transport to and from UK

Food Safety Agency





FEDERAL AGENCY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE FOOD CHAIN (FASFC)

JAN VAN SEGHBROECK

DVM – EXPERT IMPORT



Import into Belgium

- Implementation of EU legislation
- FASFC = competent authority
- close collaboration with Customs
- high risk products (as mentioned in the OCR) entry only via BCP designated for the different live animals or goods
- BCP: 4 airports (Brussels, Oostend, Liège, Charleroi) 3 ports (Zeebrugge, Antwerp, Ghent)
- Official certificates need to accompany the consignment (unless e-certification TRACES NT)



Import into Belgium

- mandatory notification in TRACES-NT one working day before physical arrival
- checks (documentary, identity, physical check) in BCP or other control points
- outcome: included and endorsed in CHED
- e-CHED possible TRACES NT (smartphone application)
- Landbridge procedure: trade in live animals and animal products with the island of Ireland: use of RX/Seaport tool for registration and origin check (green lane)



Import into Belgium: BCPs

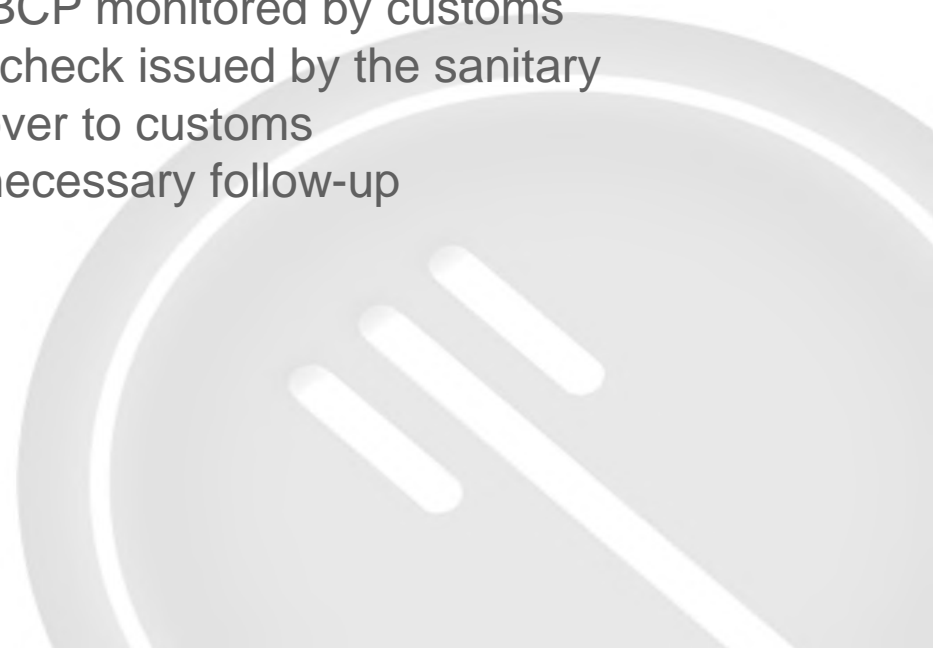


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Import into Belgium

- Points of attention for transport
 - (Live animals) products of animal origin always need a full check in the BCP
 - Transport from terminal to BCP monitored by customs
 - CHED with outcome of the check issued by the sanitary authority must be handed over to customs
 - Customs need to give the necessary follow-up



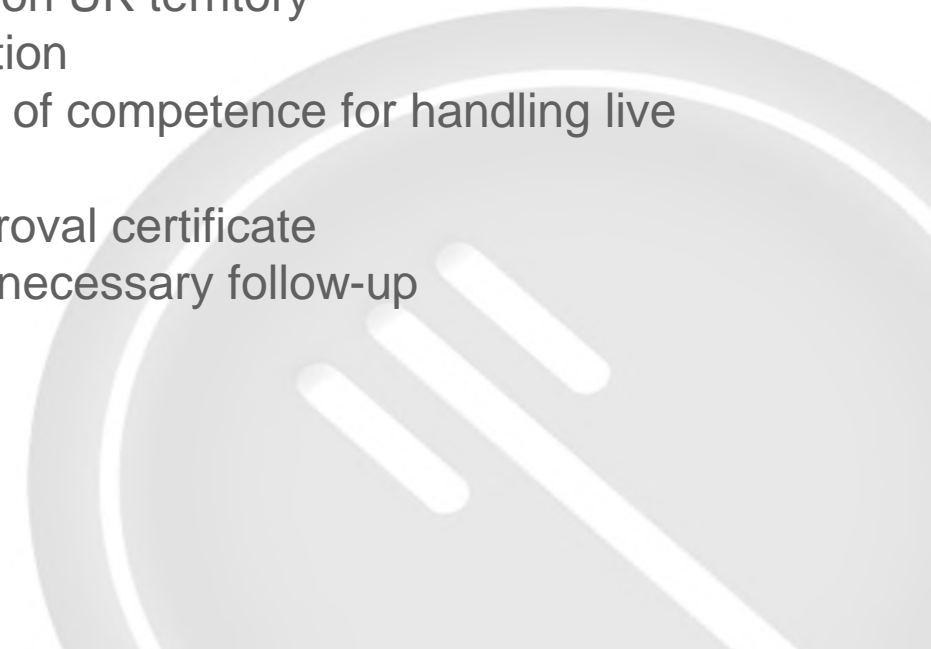
Export from the EU via Belgium

- Implementation of UK legislation
- 3-stages certification: border operating model
- competent authority of different Member States: instructions for certifying officers
- UNN number (live animals, live products, other?) on export certificate
- TRACES foresees in e-certification: decision of UK authority?
- Export via other Member State: intra-trade certificate in TRACES for live animals, live products, certain animal by-products to the exit points issued by the competent authority of the Member State of origin (journey log for live animals)
- No intervention of FASFC unless transport of live animals! via landbridge.



Export from the EU

- Points of attention for transport
 - Live animals always need a check at the exit point of the EU (journey log)
 - Driver continues transport on UK territory
 - ✓ Transporter authorisation
 - ✓ Transporter certificate of competence for handling live animals
 - ✓ Transport vehicle approval certificate
 - Customs need to give the necessary follow-up



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3. Handling sequence of traffic flows and port community systems

Port of Zeebrugge



Port of Zeebrugge Brexit Procedures

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A GATEWAY FOR THE EUROPEAN MARKET

A PORT WITH A GREAT LOCATION

Range Le Havre - Hamburg

Easy access coastal port

Unique position vs. UK

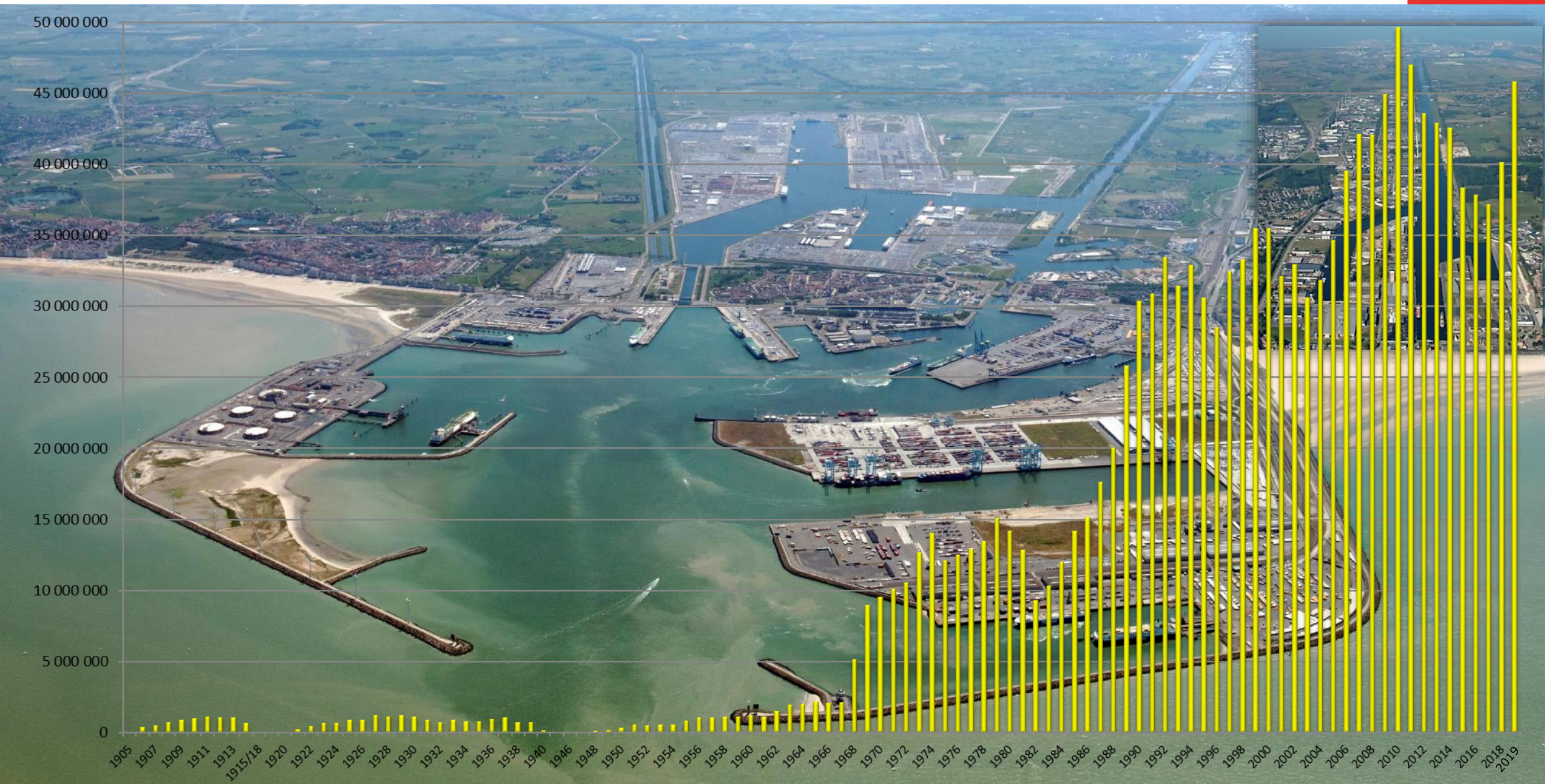
In the middle of the EU markets

Dense road and rail network



Evolution total traffic *(in tons)*

45.8 MILLION TONS/2019



Key figures 2019

8.151 vessels handled



+/- 4,000 trucks/day



>20,000 jobs in the port



1.7 million TEU handled



45.8 million tons handled



**nr 1 automotive port –
2.9 mio new cars**



Maritime connectivity: shortsea



HIGH FREQUENCY SERVICES

LOLO

Containerships
 Diamand Line
 P&O Ferries
 Portconnect
 X-Press Feeders BGX

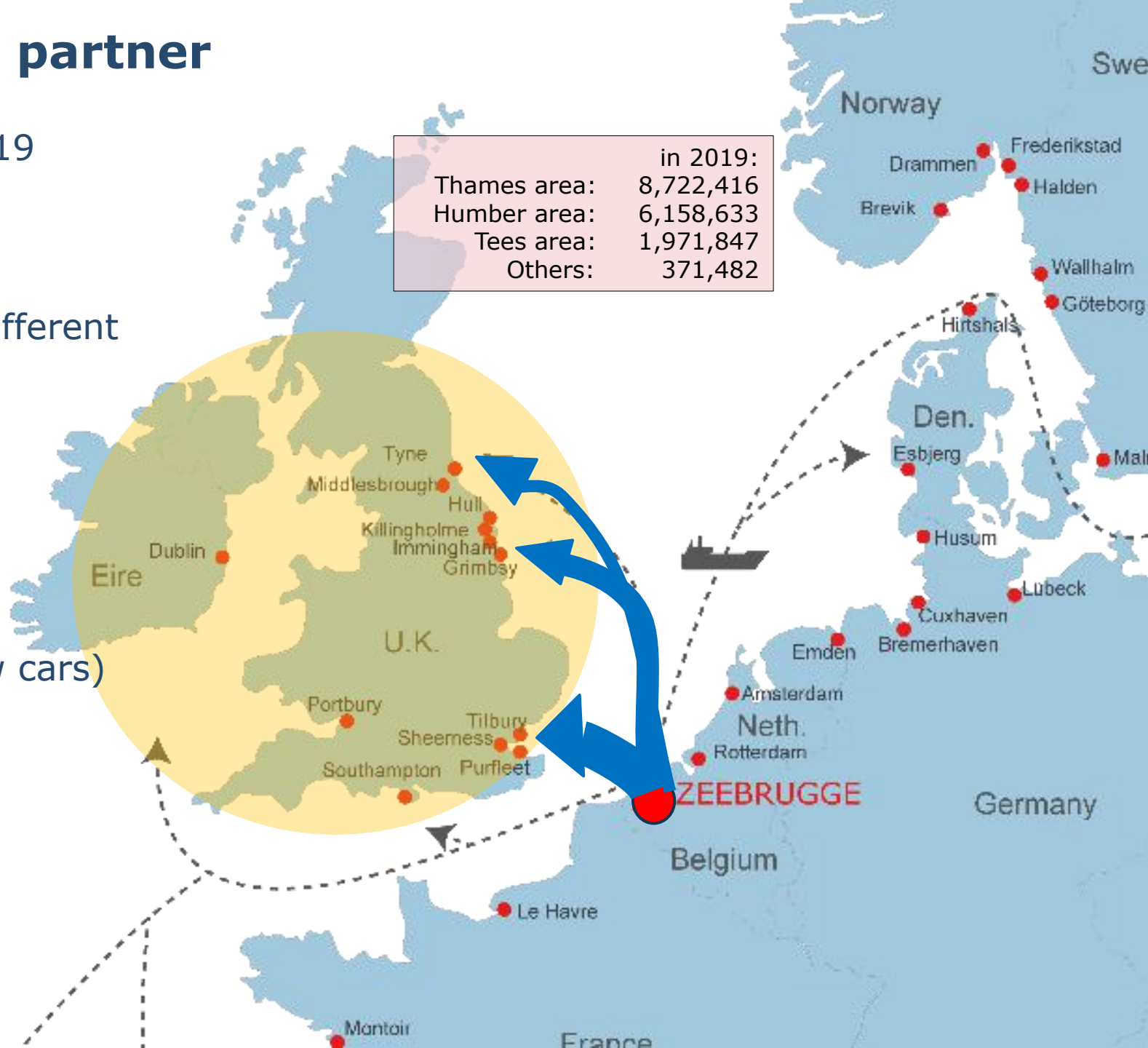
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 P&O Ferries
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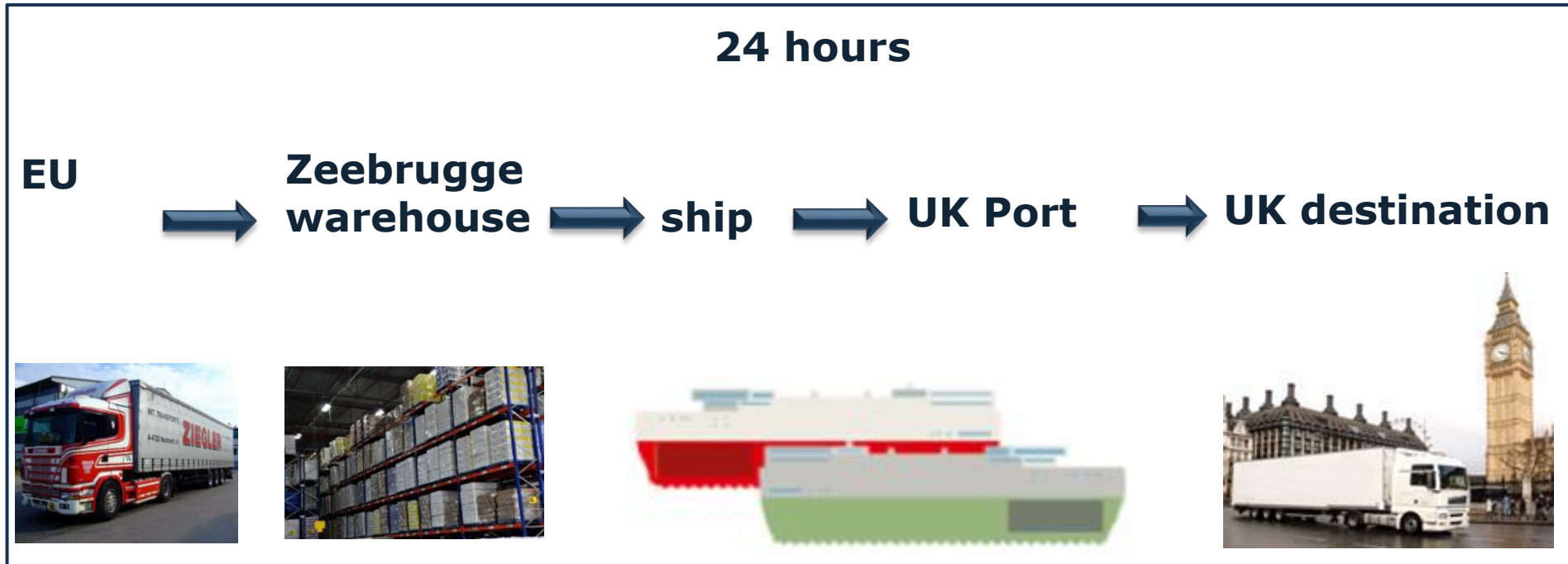


The UK is our main trading partner

- 38% or 17.2 million tons in 2019
- 67% export, 33% import
- 70 liner services a week – to different regions in the UK and Ireland
- Hub for new cars: 850.000 from/to UK
(= 30% of total number of new cars)
27 % import from UK
73% export to UK



Zeebrugge bridgehead for the U.K. distribution



Day A :

14.00 hrs: 'order picking'
in Zeebrugge

Day B :

Delivery in the UK

- 06.00 hrs in London
- 10.00 hrs in Birmingham
- 12.00 hrs in Manchester
- 15.00 hrs in Glasgow



Our strenghts

Focus on unaccompanied freight

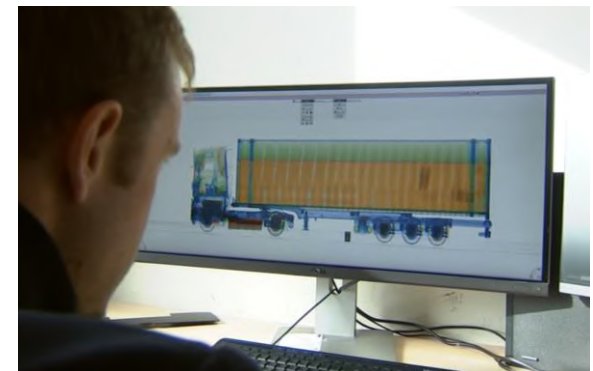
- Drivers do not accompany the cargo
- No delays at immigration check points
- Ensuring a smooth & stable supply chain



Direct connections to Ireland
“Brexit busters”
Delphine and Céline

Border Control Post (BCP)

- Ample capacity
- Customs and Food Safety personnel and equipment
- Temperature controlled spaces
- Located close to terminals and warehouses



Ready for Brexit

- Contingency plan to guarantee port accessibility at all times
- Collaboration between Port Authority, Customs, Food Safety Agency, Police (local and federal) and other public authorities
- Traffic plan for the port area
- Circulation plan for the broader region
- Temporary overflow parkings in the port area
- A system of sign posts will guide the traffic.
- "green lanes" (RX/Seaport)



RX SeaPort - your Brexit gateway -



1. BOOKING

Make sure you have a valid booking with your ferry operator

2. CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION

Provide pre-notifications of customs data with [RX/SeaPort](#)

3. GREEN LIGHT CHECK

Check [RX/SeaPort](#) dashboard if your cargo reached the **GREEN LIGHT** status

from and to Zeebrugge
In 3 steps



1. BOOKING



Make sure you have a valid booking with your ferry operator



Zeebrugge -> UK

You can make your booking with the different ferry operators & short-sea operators, like you did **before** Brexit.

This procedure does not change.

Without booking the haulier will not be allowed to proceed to the terminal.

UK -> Zeebrugge

You can make your booking with the different ferry operators & short-sea operators, like you did **before** Brexit.

You will also be required to provide detailed information about your cargo for safety and security purposes.

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Zeebrugge -> UK

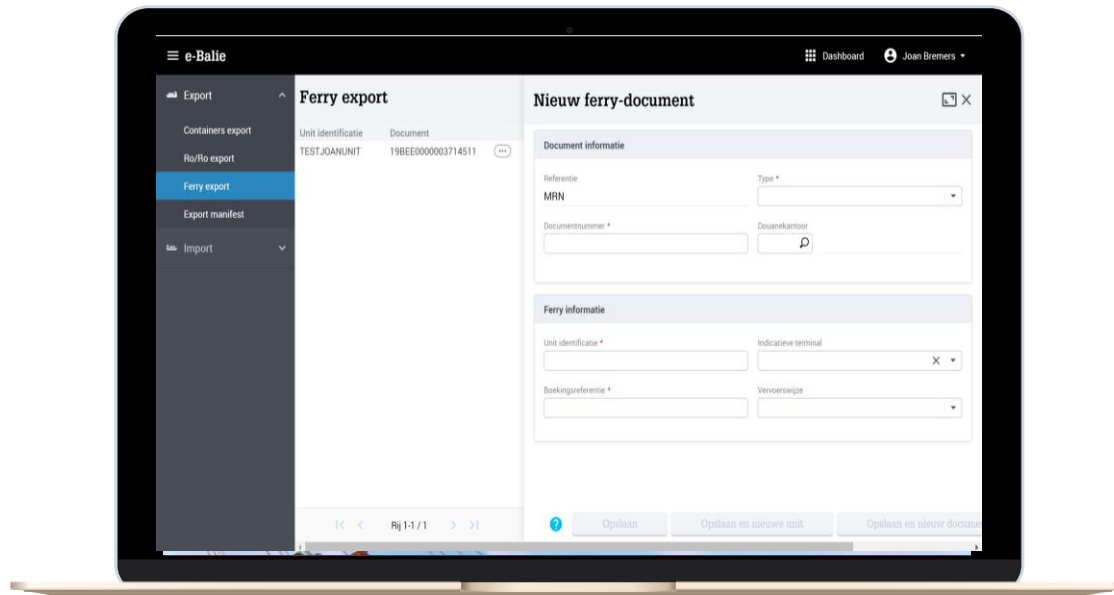
The customs details that are linked to a booking must be pre-notified via the e-Desk ferry application of RX/SeaPort.

Without the mandatory pre-notification of the customs data, the haulier will not be allowed to proceed to the terminal.

UK -> Zeebrugge

The terminal operator is informed of the customs status of your cargo via the e-Desk ferry application of RX/SeaPort. Based on that information, the cargo can be released for transport.

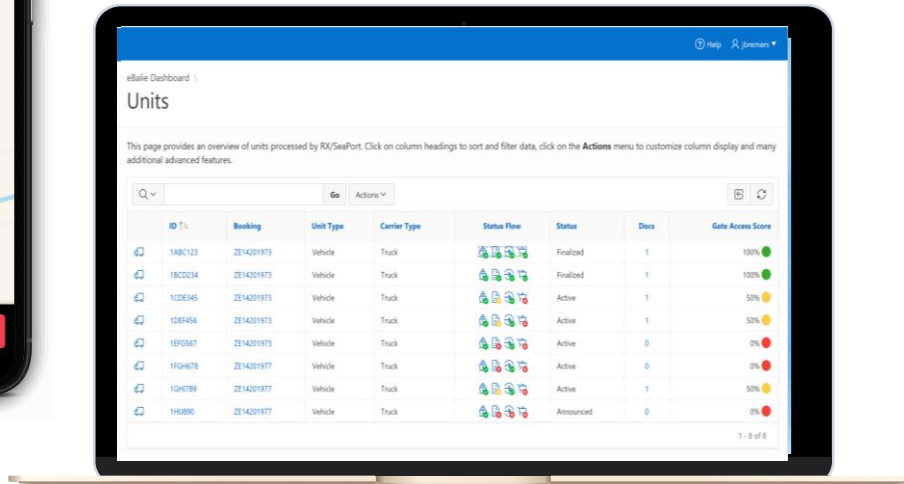
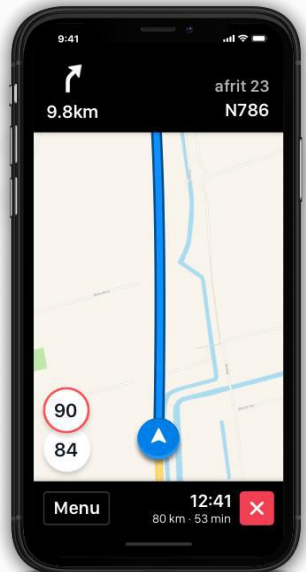
The cargo cannot be collected without this mandatory pre-notification.



3. GREEN LIGHT CHECK



Check [RX/SeaPort](#) dashboard
if your cargo reached the
GREEN LIGHT status



“GREEN light” check

- You should always pre-check your access via the RX/SeaPort dashboard.
- Truckers can easily check whether previous steps are executed via the RX/SeaPort dashboard on their smartphone.

Circulation plan Zeebrugge

- Cargo with a **RED** light will not be permitted in the Port of Zeebrugge.
- Cargo with a **GREEN** light may immediately present itself at the gate of the relevant terminal.

WHICH TOOLS OFFERS RX/SEAPORT FOR BREXIT?



BREXIT WIZARD

- In this wizard we put the focus on the impact of the Brexit on the logistic flow, therefore the transport of the goods which go from exporter via a Belgian port to the UK,
- Step by step, the whole process is shown on how to transport to and from the UK in a post Brexit period. This explained for companies which don't have any knowledge of customs



E-desk FERRY

Pre-notification of customs data

- Via e-desk the user (forwarder, exporter, haulier ...) notifies the terminal operator of the arrival of the load by mentioning the following data: type document, customs office of exit, MRN-nummer, unit number, terminal, bookingsreference...
- The terminal operator continuously pulls this data. Other users will only be able to see the data of which they are owner



RX/DASHBOARD

- via the RX dashboard the importer, his representative and the haulier receive timely insight into the different statuses of their cargo, via a handy track & trace system.
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- 'Green lights' check:
 - Green light (booking+MRN ok)
 - Orange light (booking ok + no MRN)
 - Red light (no booking + no MRN)

Concrete advantages

Goals:

- Zeebrugge identity: work on the needs for a port with mixed shortsea and deepsea RoRo, Ferry and container traffic.
- It is specifically aimed at transport via Zeebrugge: how to help solve traffic problems, reduce administrative work, etc
- Traffic EU <-> UK through Zeebrugge after implementation of new UK border controls as smooth as possible.

Advantage through:

- Avoid traffic jams (through accurate real-time info)
- Reduce administrative work, follow-up (through dashboard, integration with Production Systems)
- Avoid fines, extra costs (through information from customs, FASFC)

RX/Seaport is a community-based cooperative. :

- aim is to make cargo flows as efficient as possible after Brexit, by facilitating data exchange



Vision/Mission

VISION

Being the Center of Excellence
on digitization for the
Port (community) of Zeebrugge.

MISSION

Make Zeebrugge a real
"Smart Port".

OUR CORE PRINCIPLES



We operate as an **independent** and
reliable partner



We focus on offering **maximum added
value** for our community



We always keep the **accessibility** of our
services in mind



We believe in a
network of networks, and strive for
maximum **interoperability**

Circulation plan Zeebrugge

Purpose :

Smooth passage for all traffic from all companies

The terminals have their own access policy

Also attention for residents, emergency services, employees, tourism, local traffic, ...

Keep a border control post (BCP) available at all times

2 waiting zones for transporters to obtain green status reorientation

Accessibility Zeebrugge village guaranteed

Terminals short sea UK



2 companies with fixed short sea connections to the UK

P&O en C.Ro

New Year = General quiet time
(also without Brexit).
Stockpiling for Christmas

P&O closed until 2 Jan 06.00hr
C.Ro expects very limited load

UK load:
+/- 2400 loads
normal day

+/- 3000 loads
peak

Green light – Green lane

Basis: The terminal itself implements the dynamic access policy

The terminal communicates with the carrier and gives a status red (not in order) or green (in order)

Non UK freight = green light or dynamic decision

UK freight (booking + customs ok) = green light
red light for the others

Green Lane is the data presentation (Rx Seaport) at a distance of this decision

Status red: the driver must return to the outside
(via segregated route at terminal = loop)

Status green: the cargo is deposited/collected

Possession and data on the CMR are decisive.



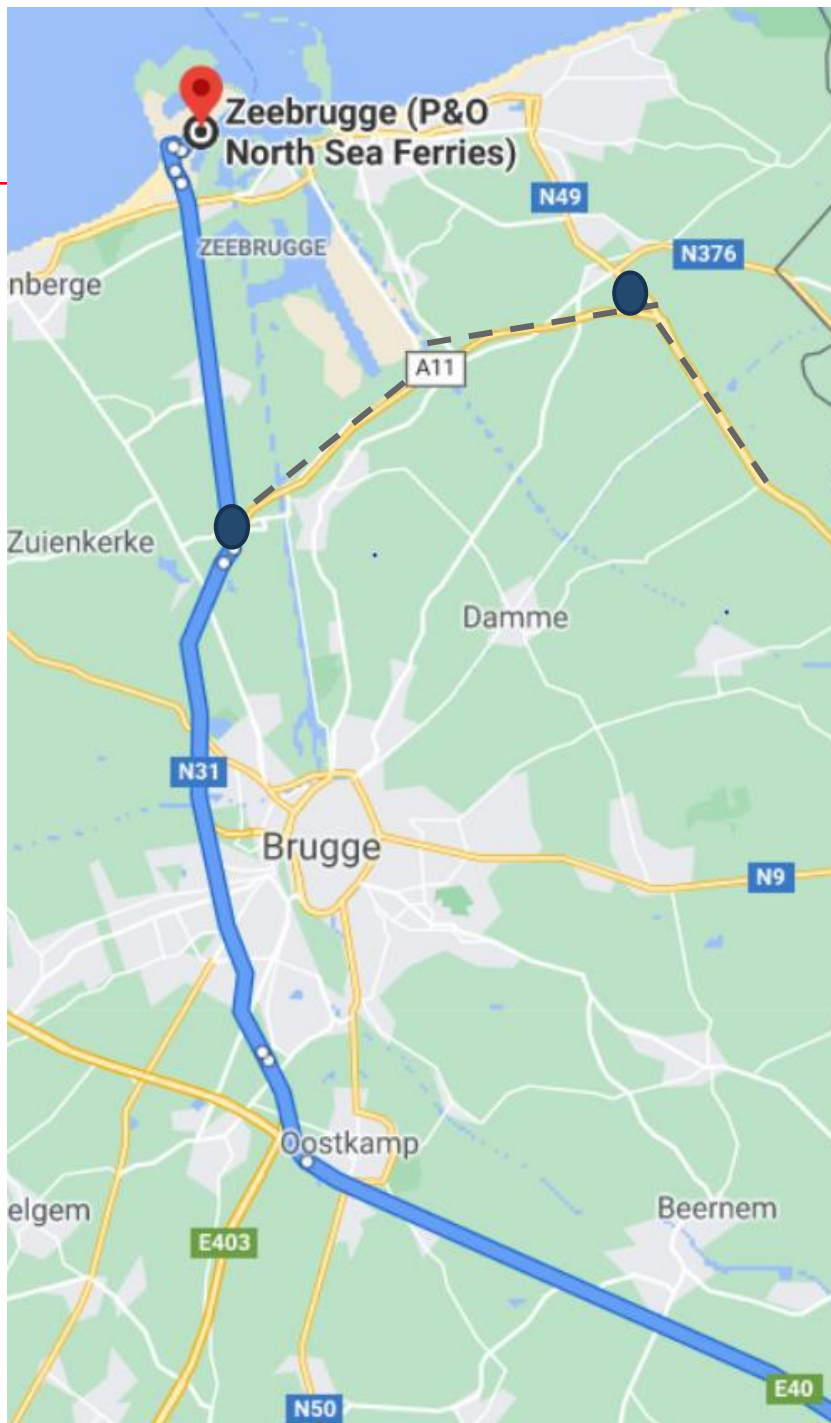
All traffic on normal roads

See Truckmeister app on your smartphone

Indications from Brussels - Ghent and Antwerp Ring Road

Port of Zeebrugge
NO BOOKING=NO ENTRY

Recommended P&O flow



Priority: via E40

Dynamic indication on the motorways

Port of Zeebrugge
P&O via N31

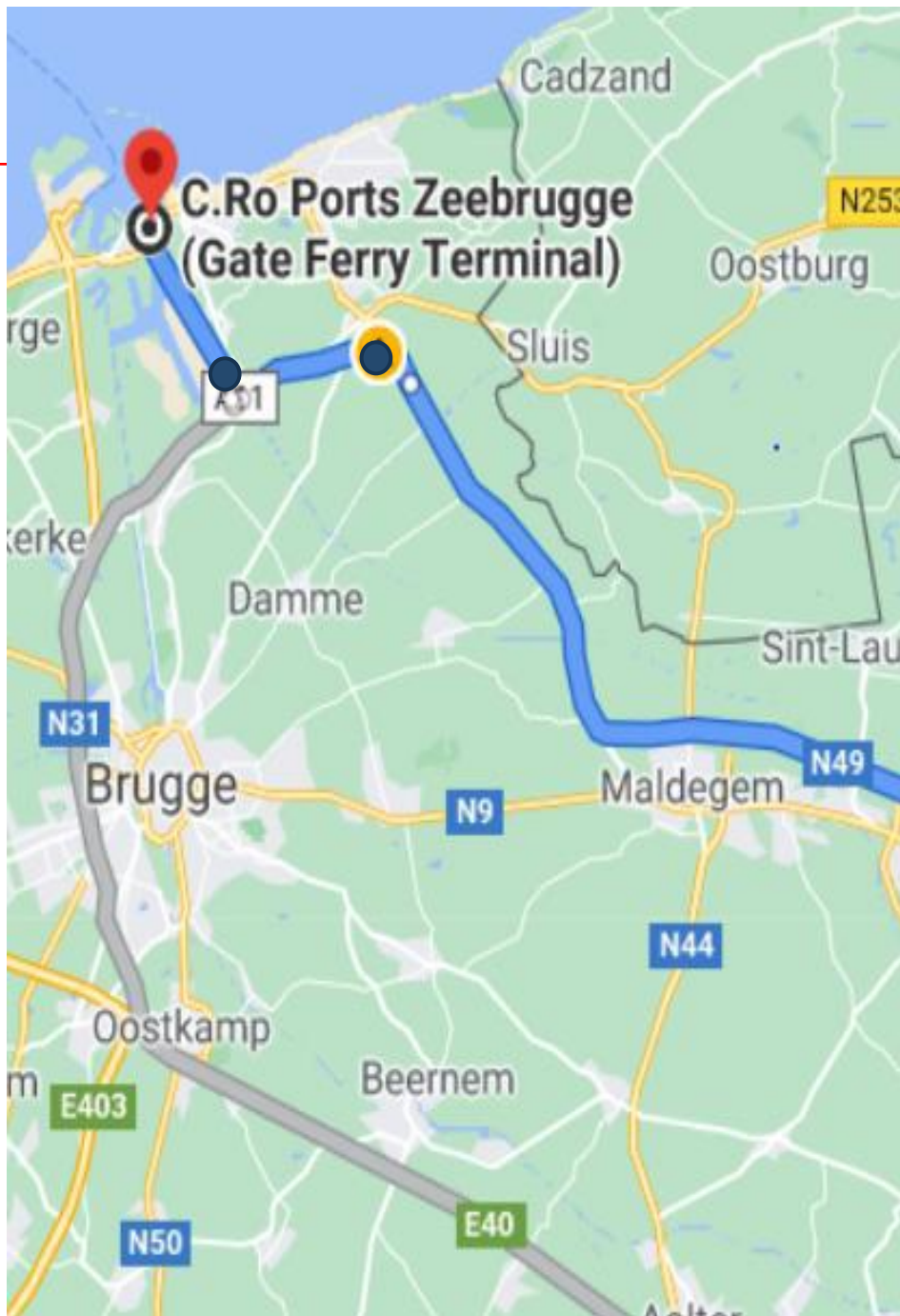
Secondary:

via E34/N49 along the A11 to N31

Port of Zeebrugge
P&O &C.Ro via A11

For status red : Brexit Zone Western breakwater

BREXIT ZONE 1



Recommended flow C.Ro Britannia dock

Priority: via E34/N49

To A11 - N350 (Alfred Ronsestraat) -
Minervarotonde - Isabellalaan - C.Ro

Port of Zeebrugge
P&O + C.Ro via A11

Secondary:

via E40 (towards Brugge) - A11 - N350

Port of Zeebrugge
C.Ro 608-613 via A11
P&O + C.Ro 127-129 via N31

For status red



Temporary Brexit-zones in the port area

Flyers at the terminal with instructions to the driver
To Brexit zone 1

Location: Western Harbour Breakwater

Capacity : **80 places**

Priority for P&O freight
100 places on P&O itself

Installation Covid proof

- Access control

- Surveillance/Security

- Lighting

- Sanitary blocks (toilets and showers)

- Catering

- Waste management

- Internet

BREXIT ZONE 1



Temporary Brexit-zones in the port area



Flyers at the terminal with instructions to the driver
To Brexit zone 2

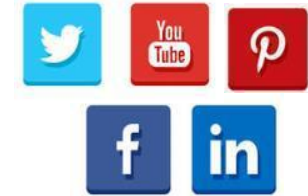
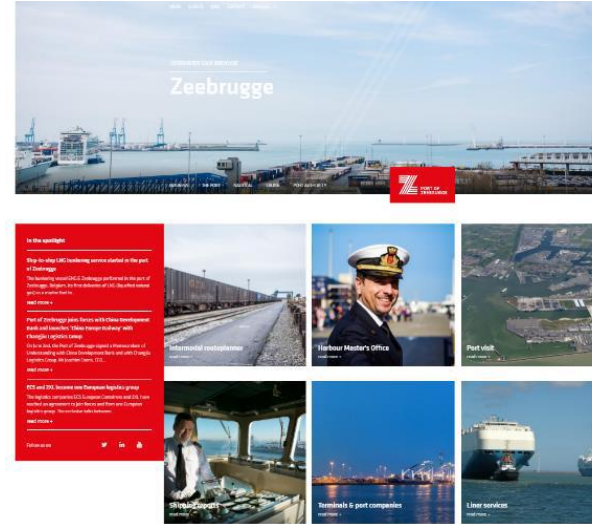
Location: Havenrandweg Zuid
Capacity : 193 + 160 along Koffieweg

Priority for C.Ro cargo

Installation Covid proof

- Access control
- Surveillance/Security
- Lighting
- Sanitary blocks (toilets and showers)
- Catering
- Waste management
- internet

Port communication



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Thank you



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4. Handling sequence of traffic flows and port community systems

Port of Antwerp



UK Trade via Port of Antwerp after 1/1/2021

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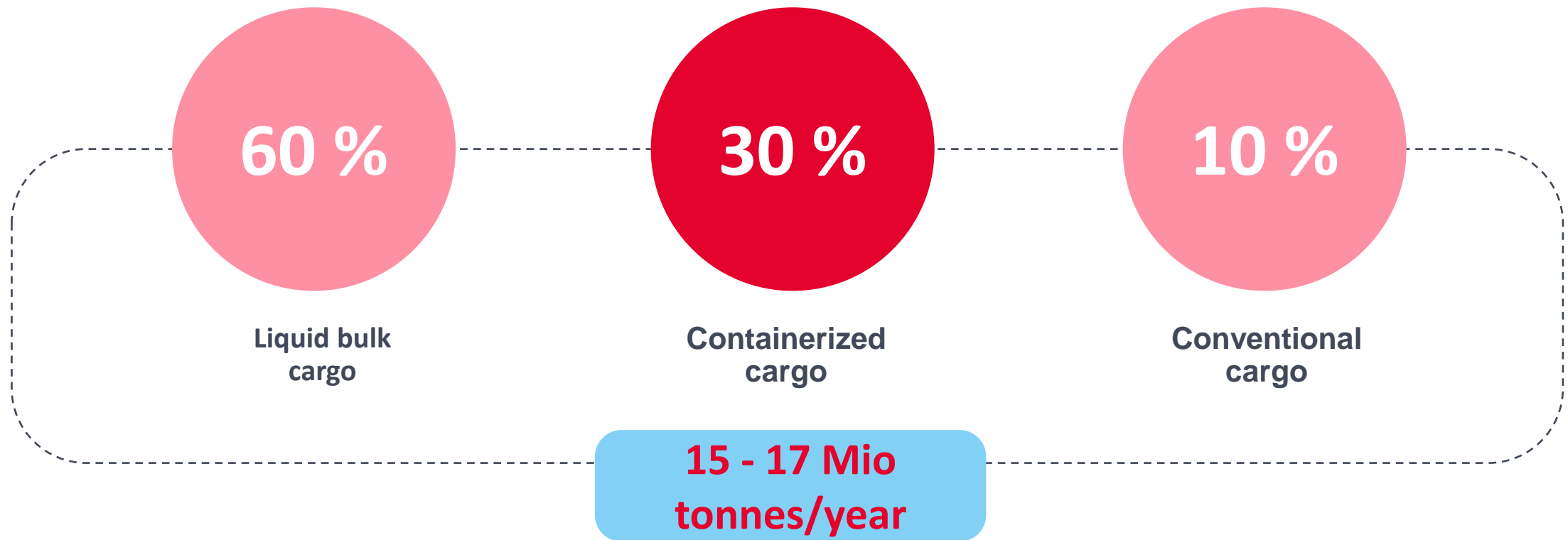


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Antwerp**

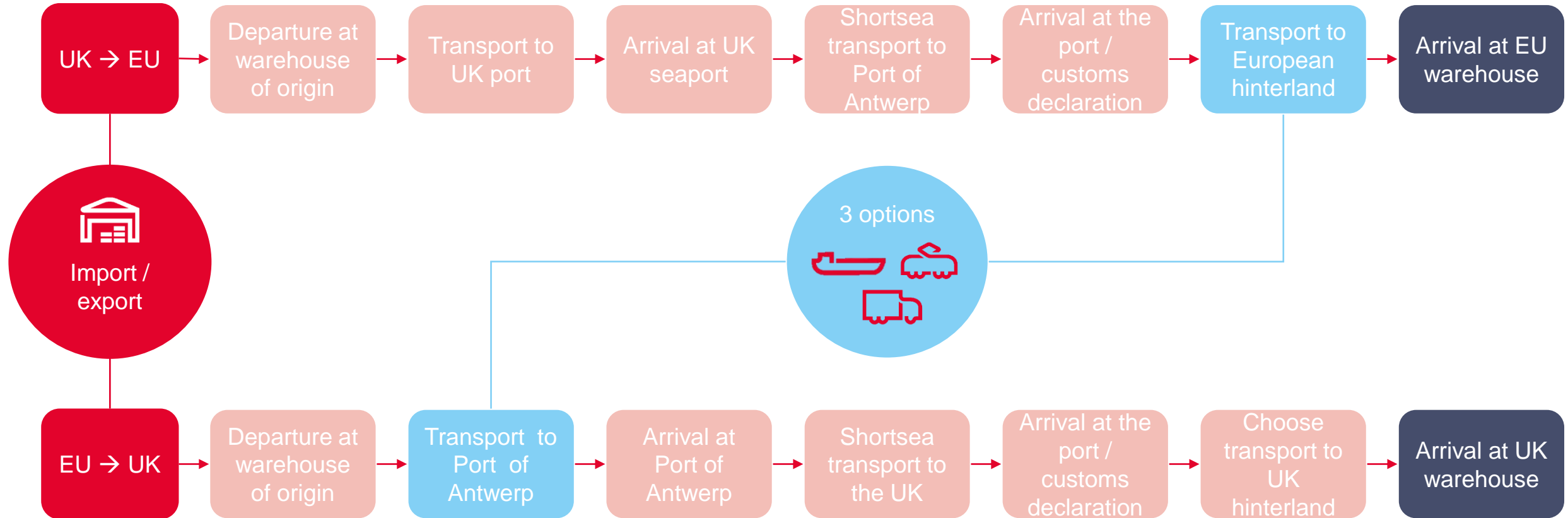


UK trade through PoA today

Our 2nd largest maritime trading partner



Shortsea supply chain via Port of Antwerp



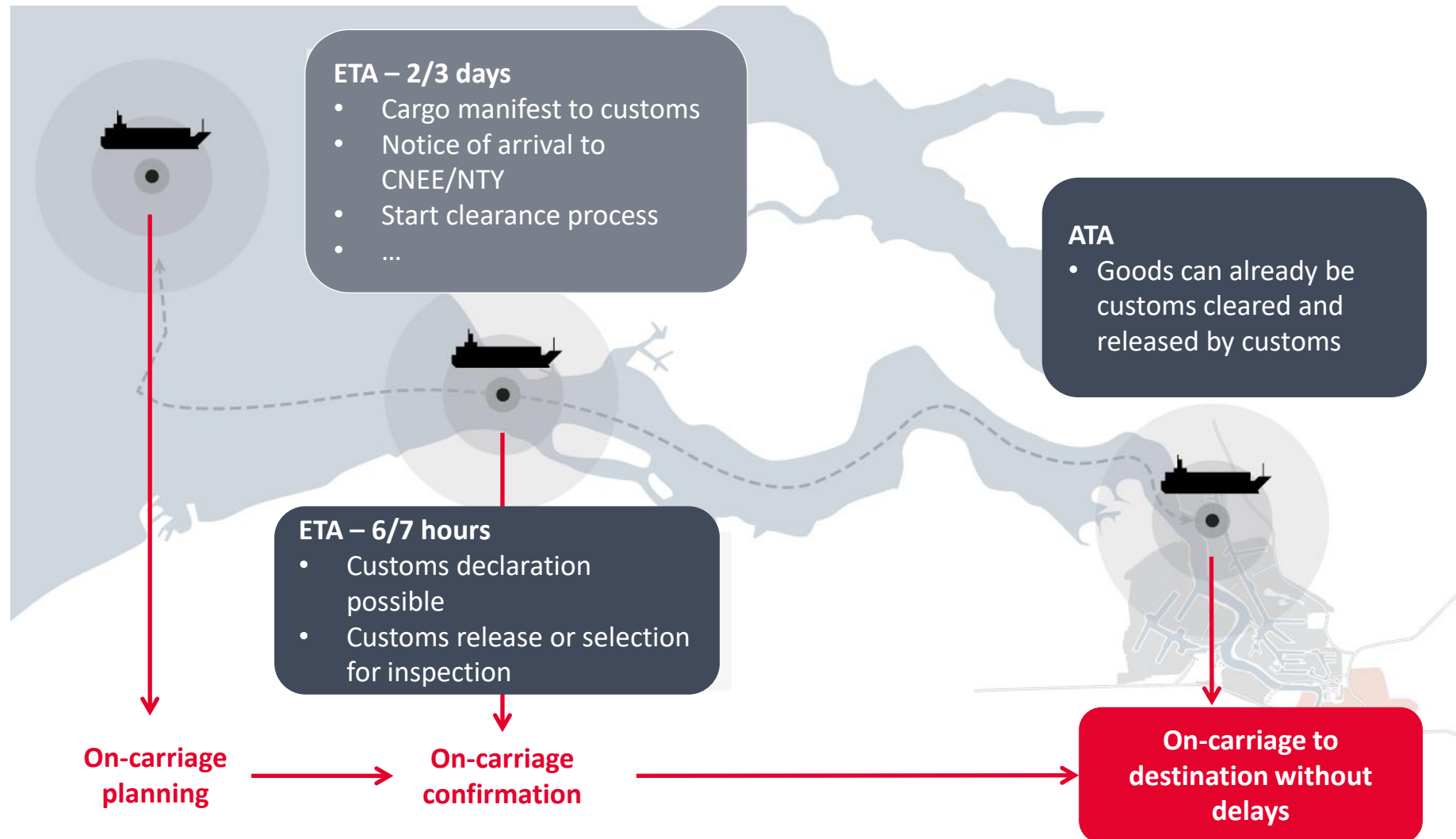
Port of Antwerp – UK - Ireland

Container connections

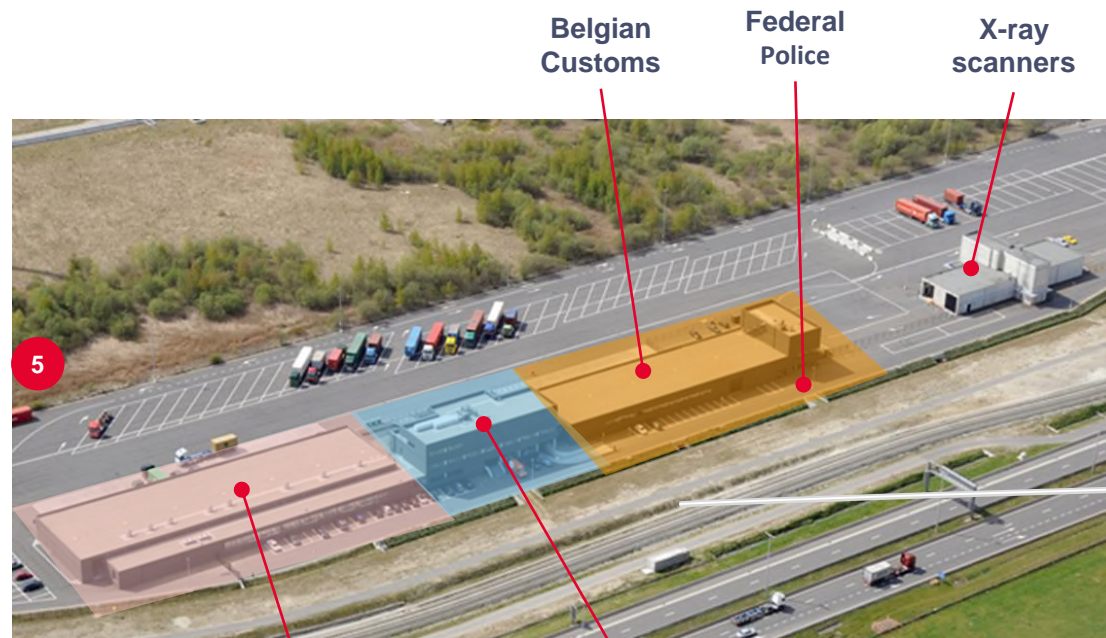


- **BG Freight**
 - Teesport, Grangemouth
- **Eucon / BG Freight**
 - Belfast
 - Dublin, Cork
- **MSC**
 - Tilbury, Teesport, Grangemouth
 - Portbury
 - Dublin
 - Liverpool, Greenock
- **Unifeeder**
 - Teesport, Grangemouth

Fast and efficient import process



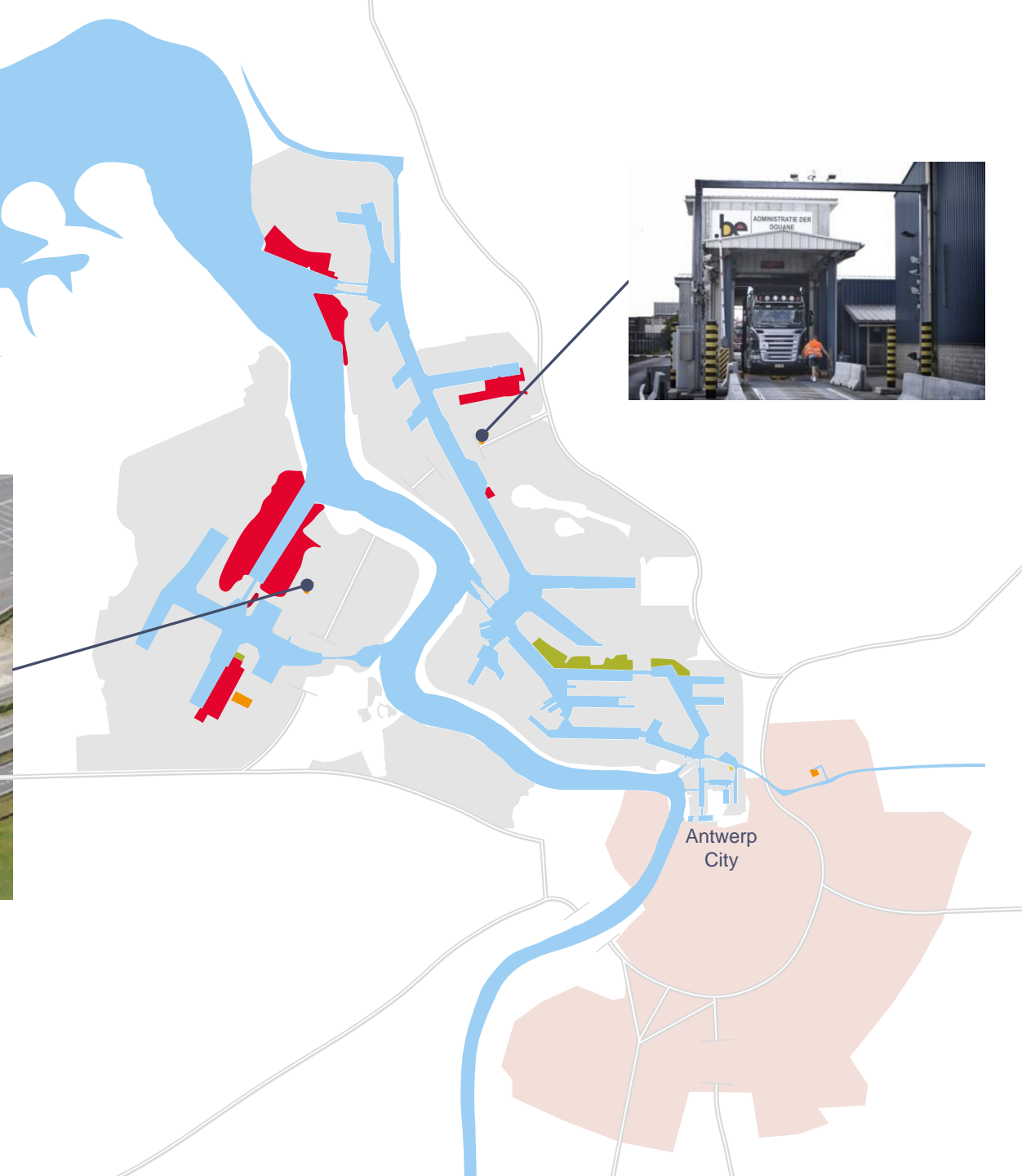
Border inspection posts: one stop shop



Federal Agency
for the Safety
of the Food
Chain (FASFC)

Administrative
building:

- Customs
- FASFC
- Federal Agency
for Nuclear
Control



PoA major Container terminals

- 1 MPET K1742 & K1718
- 2 Antwerp Gateway K1700
- 3 PSA North Sea Terminal K913
- 4 PSA Europe Terminal K869
- 5 Antwerp Container Terminal K730

1 Parking Goordijk 210 spaces

2 Planned 2022 : Parking Ketenis 370 spaces



C-Point e-Desk

Paperless flow for export and transit declarations

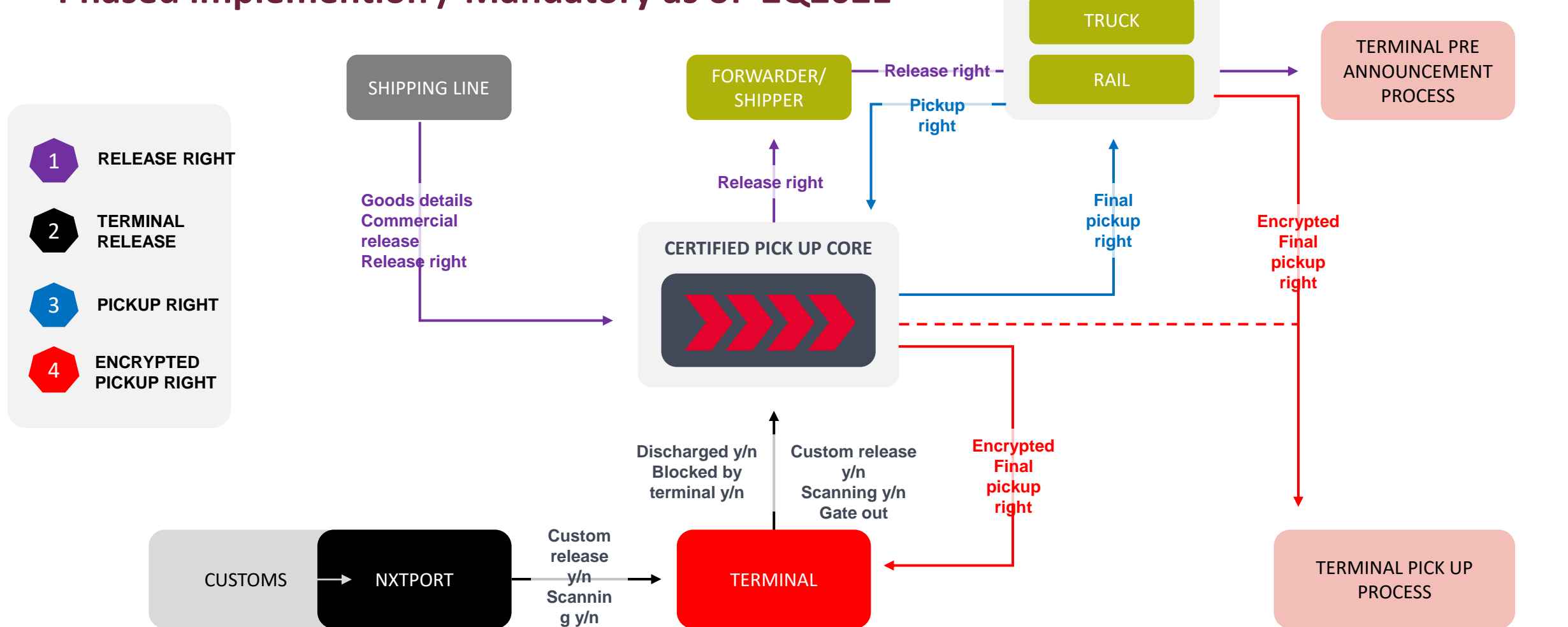


What is e-desk? An easy and free web application allowing users to notify the terminal operator about upcoming cargo and to pass declaration details electronically.

www.c-point.be/en/services/e-desk

New : CPu (Certified Pick up)

Phased implementation / Mandatory as of 2Q2021



Thank you

As of 7 december 2020 :

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**Port of
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5. Traffic flows and recommended roads to the seaports

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Vlaanderen
is wegen en verkeer

Brexit scenario's

Nationaal



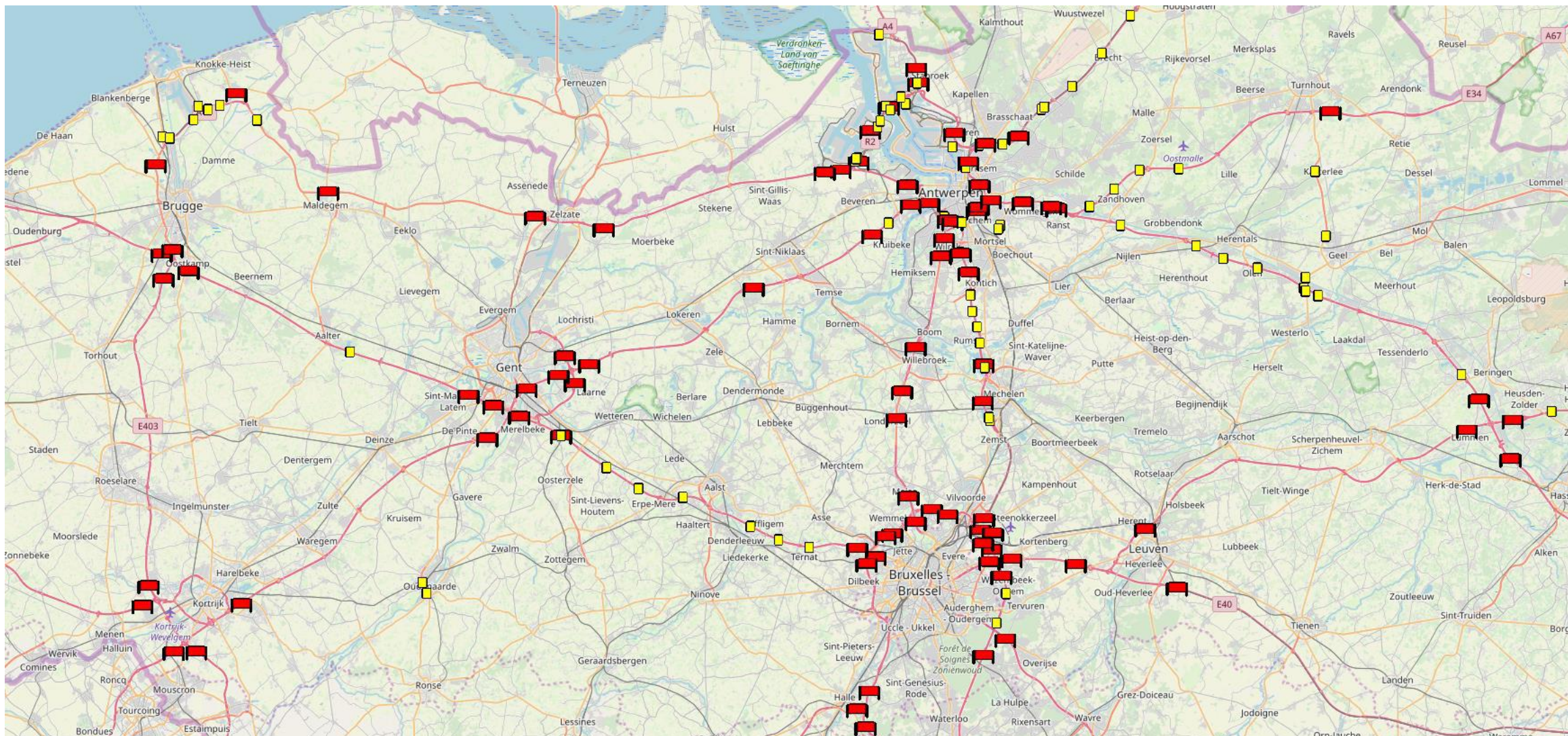
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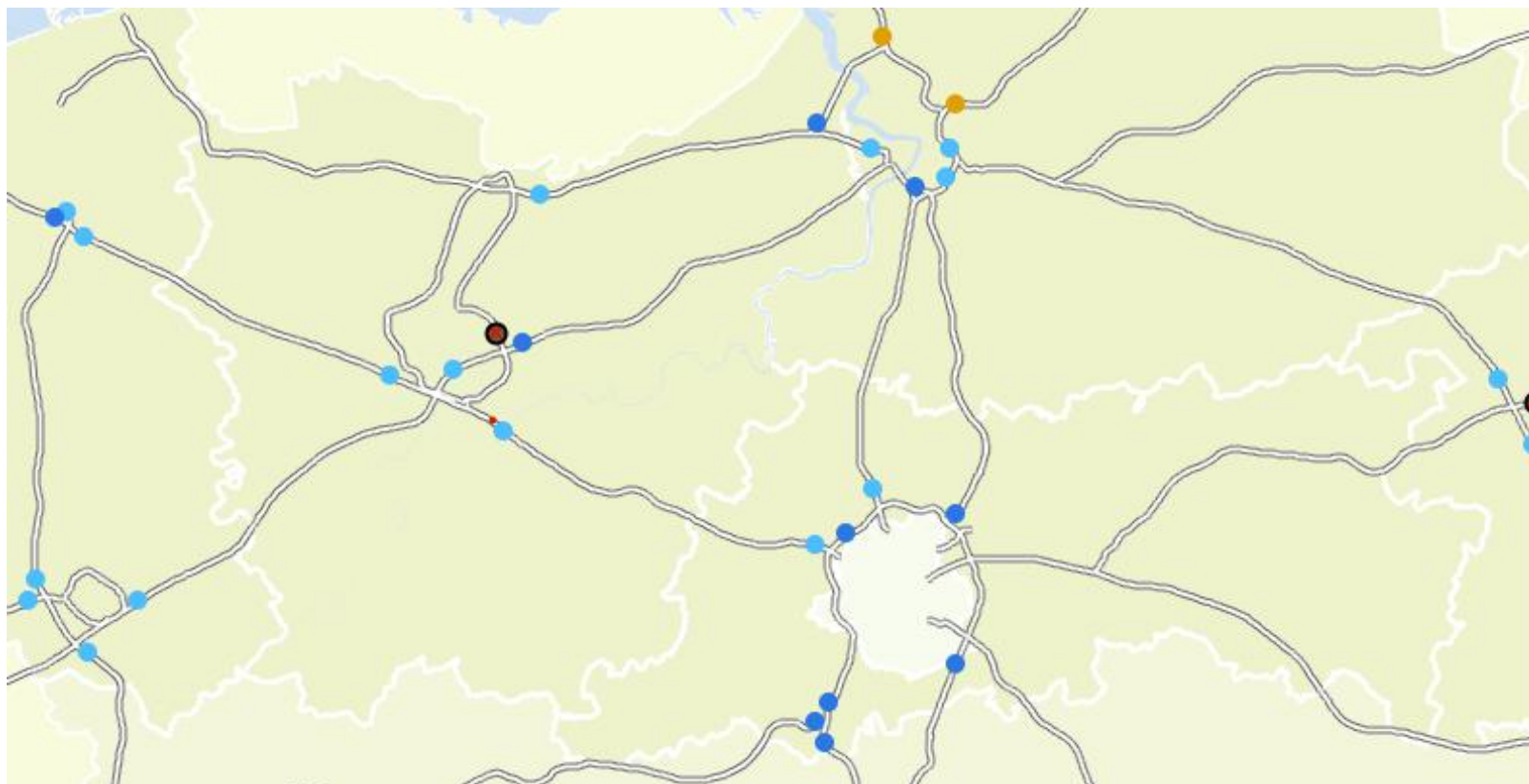
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Dynamic signaling







Guidance







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
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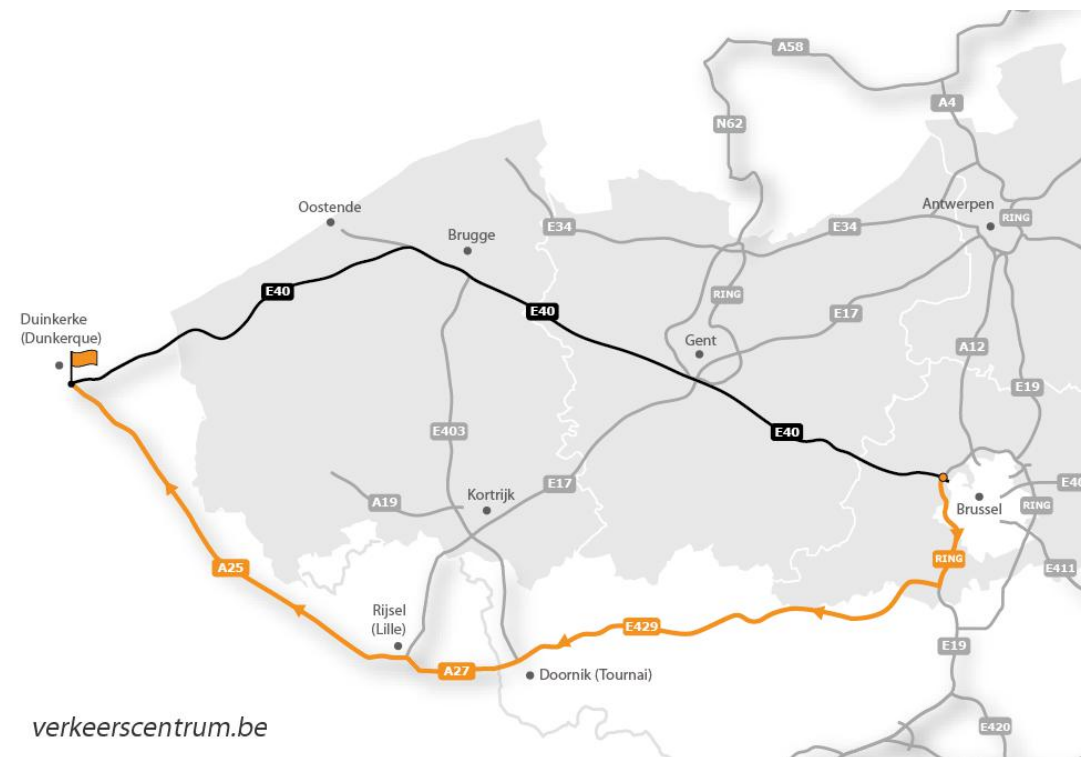
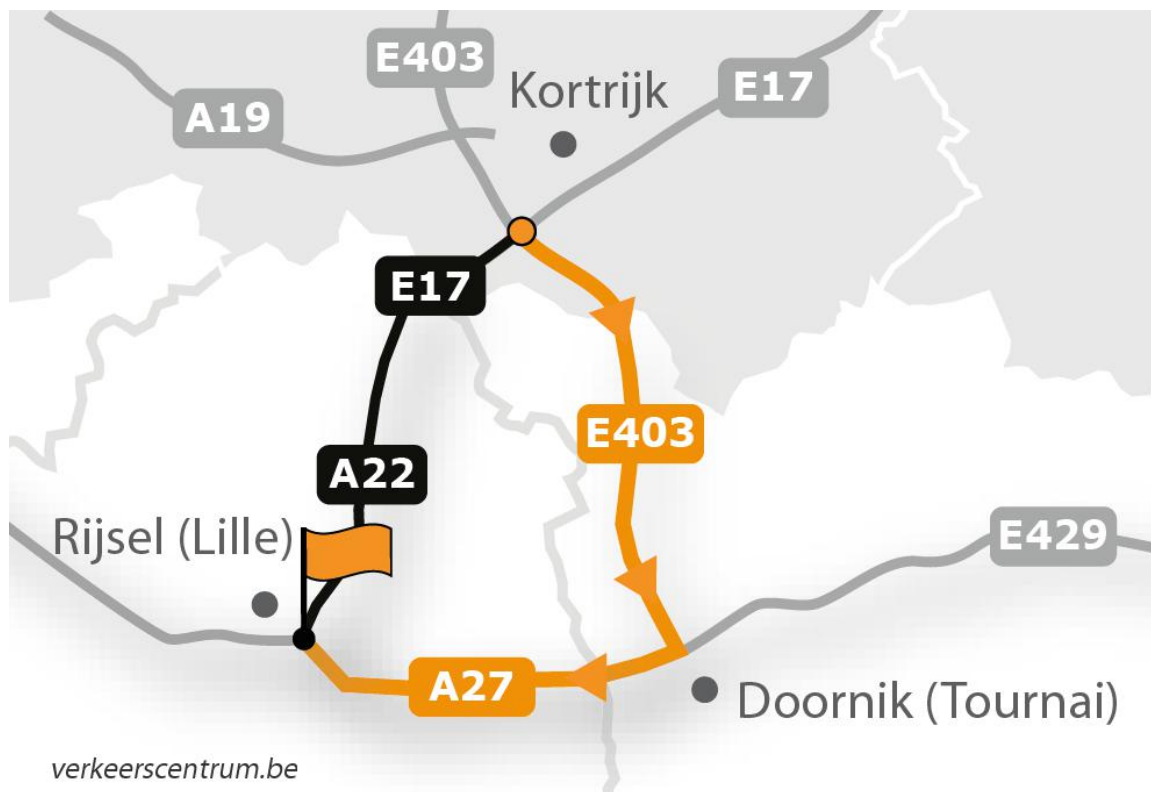
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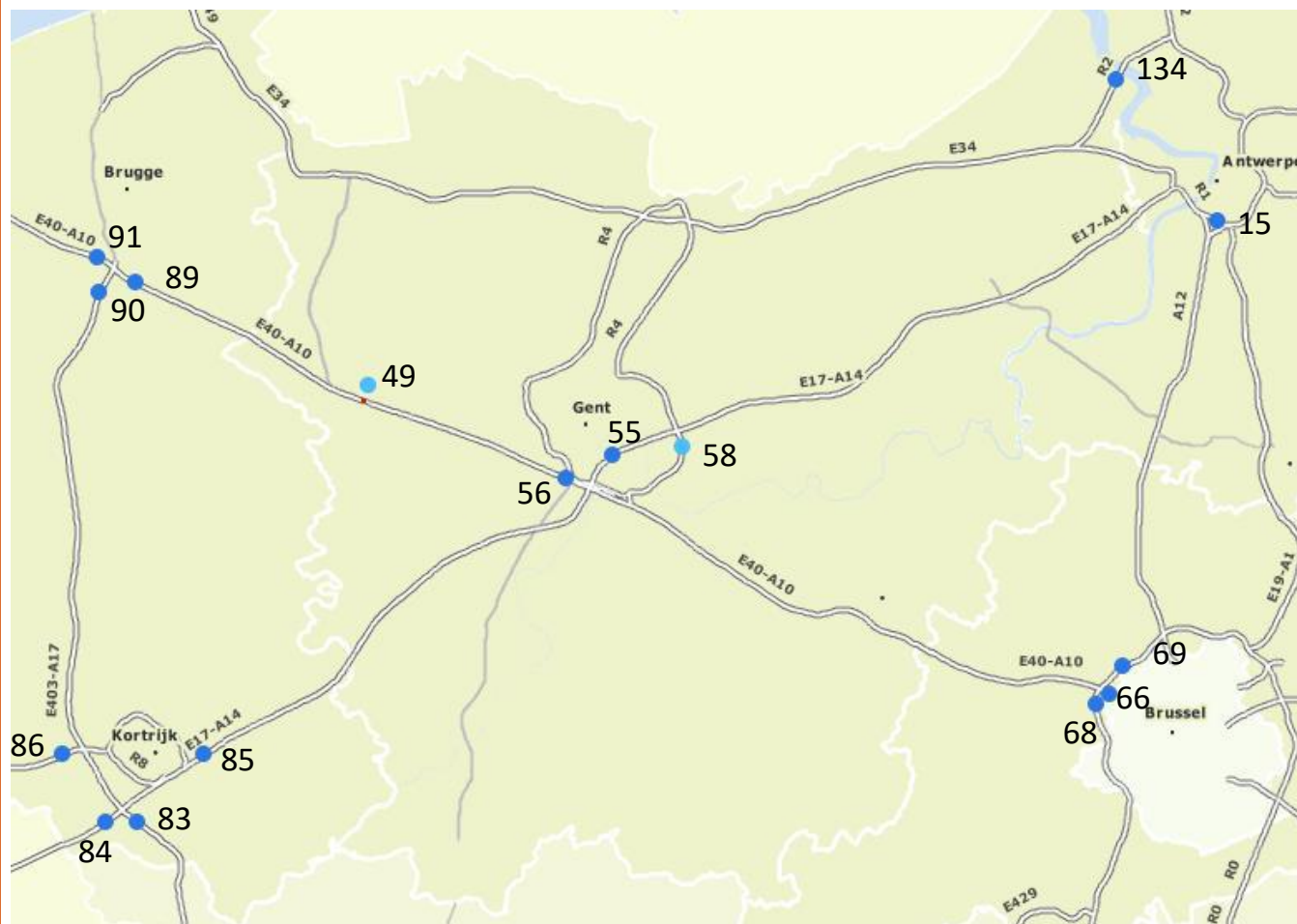
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Deviations



Information



15 **PORT OF ZEEBRUGGE**
ENKEL MET BOEKING
NO BOOKING = NO ENTRY

58 **Port of Zeebrugge**
C.Ro + P&O
File / traffic jam = +1u15

49 **Port Zeebrugge**
Enkel boeking
No booking =
no entry

66 **Port of Zeebrugge**
Geen boeking = geen toegang
No booking = no entry

55 **Port of Zeebrugge**
C.Ro + P&O
File / traffic jam = +1u15

68 **Port of Zeebrugge**
Geen boeking = geen toegang
No booking = no entry

56 **Port of Zeebrugge**
Geen boeking = geen toegang
No booking = no entry

69 **Port of Zeebrugge**
Geen boeking = geen toegang
No booking = no entry

83 **Port of Zeebrugge**
C.Ro + P&O
File / traffic jam = +1u15

89 **Port of Zeebrugge**
Geen boeking = geen toegang
No booking = no entry

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C.Ro + P&O
File / traffic jam = +1u15

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Geen boeking = geen toegang
No booking = no entry

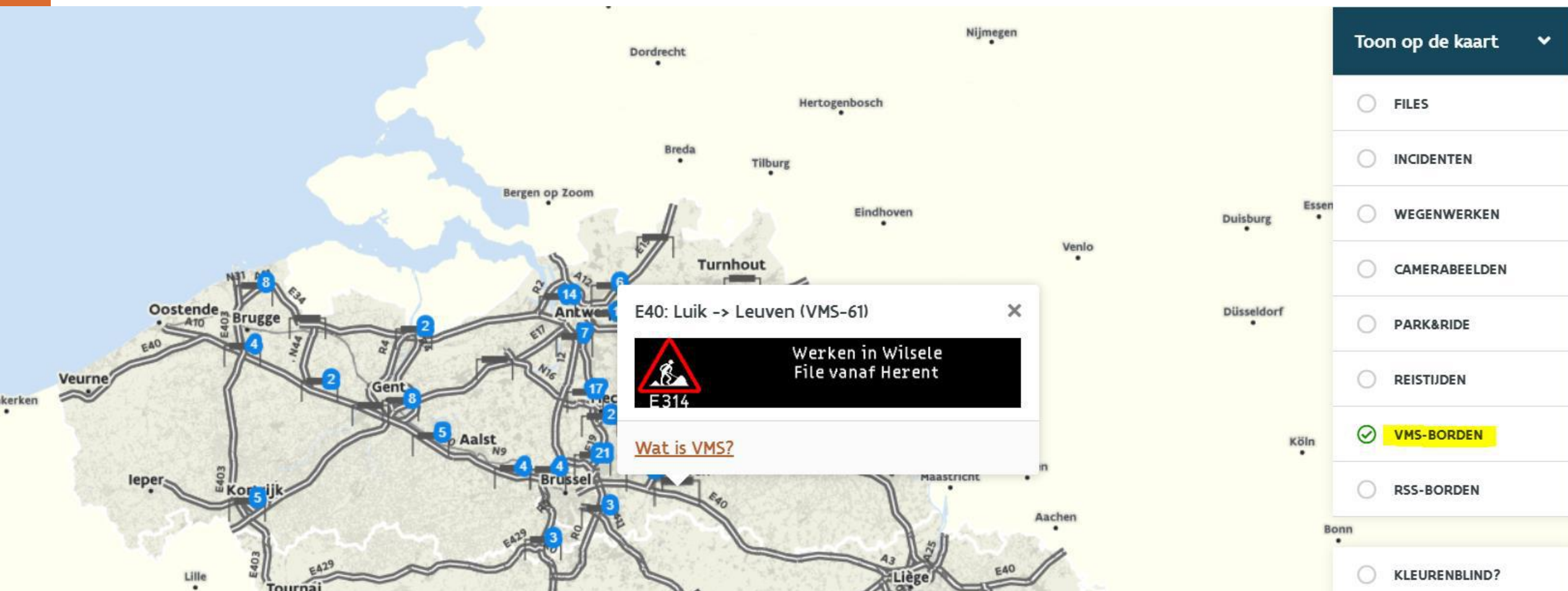
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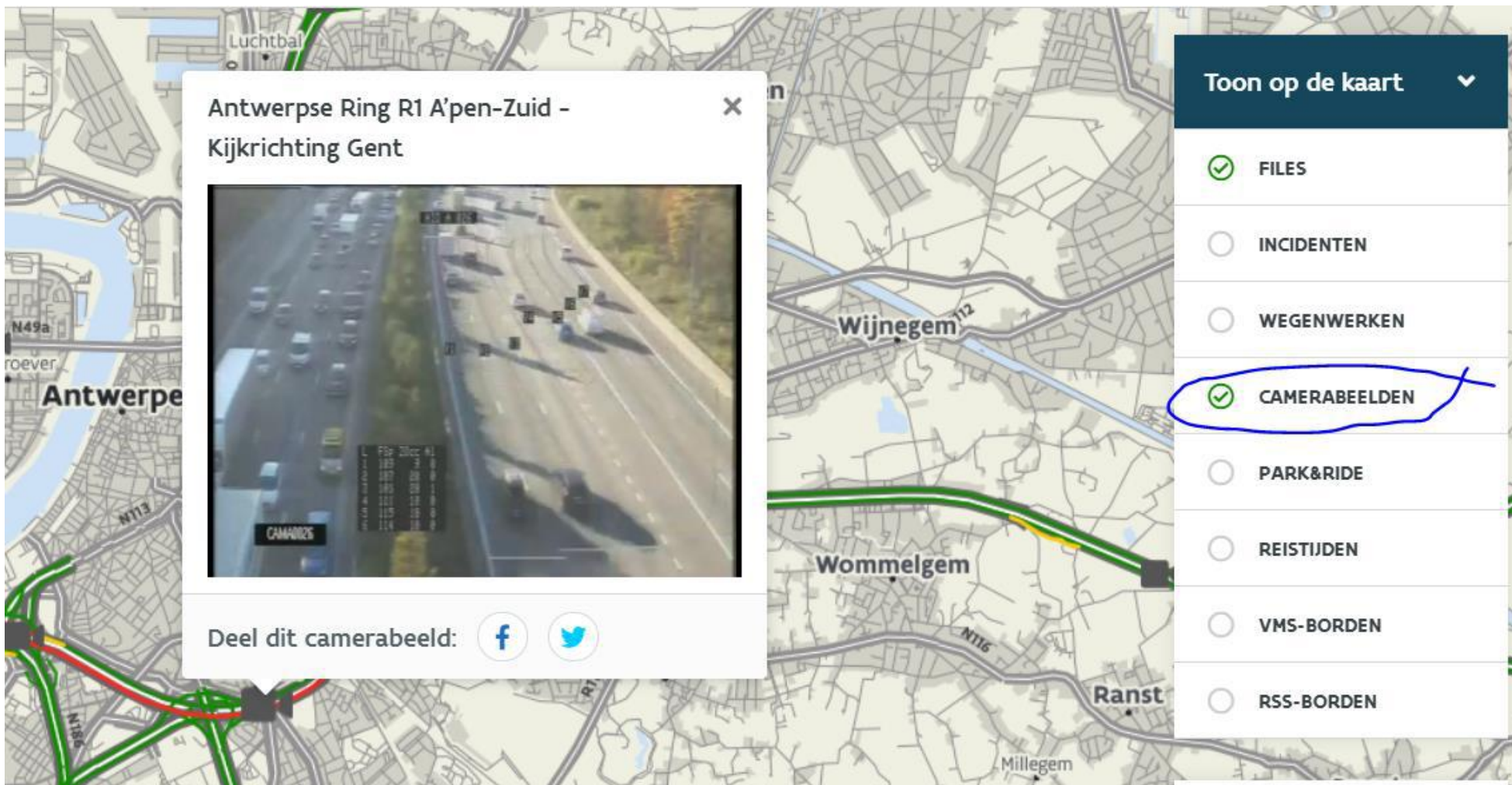
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134 **Port Zeebrugge**
Enkel boeking
No booking =
no entry

Verkeerscentrum.be - Real Time information





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The screenshot displays the Verkeerscentrum.be website interface. A map of the Antwerp region is shown, with a camera feed overlay for the 'Antwerpse Ring R1 A'pen-Zuid - Kijkrichting Gent'. The camera feed shows a multi-lane highway with traffic. Below the camera feed, there are social media sharing options for Facebook and Twitter. On the right side, a sidebar menu titled 'Toon op de kaart' (Show on the map) lists various traffic information categories. The 'CAMERABEELDEN' (Camera Images) option is selected and circled in blue. Other options include FILES, INCIDENTEN, WEGENWERKEN, PARK&RIDE, REISTIJDEN, VMS-BORDEN, and RSS-BORDEN.

Antwerpse Ring R1 A'pen-Zuid - Kijkrichting Gent

Deel dit camerabeeld:  

Toon op de kaart

- ☒ FILES
- ☐ INCIDENTEN
- ☐ WEGENWERKEN
- ☒ CAMERABEELDEN
- ☐ PARK&RIDE
- ☐ REISTIJDEN
- ☐ VMS-BORDEN
- ☐ RSS-BORDEN

Communication

- Website VVC
- TMC (GPS)
- DATEX (automatische feed naar alle serviceproviders)
- Twitter account @verkeerscentrum
- National media (VRT, VMM, RTBF, RTL, Belga...)
- Via VVC spokesperson Peter Bruyninckx (or Veva Daniëls)

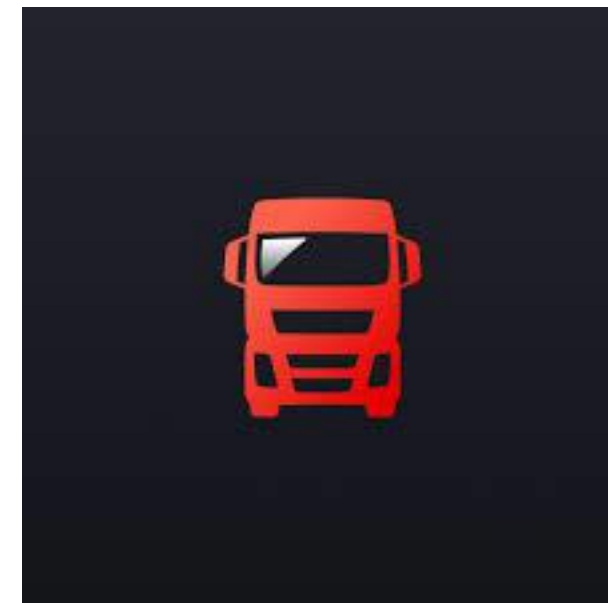
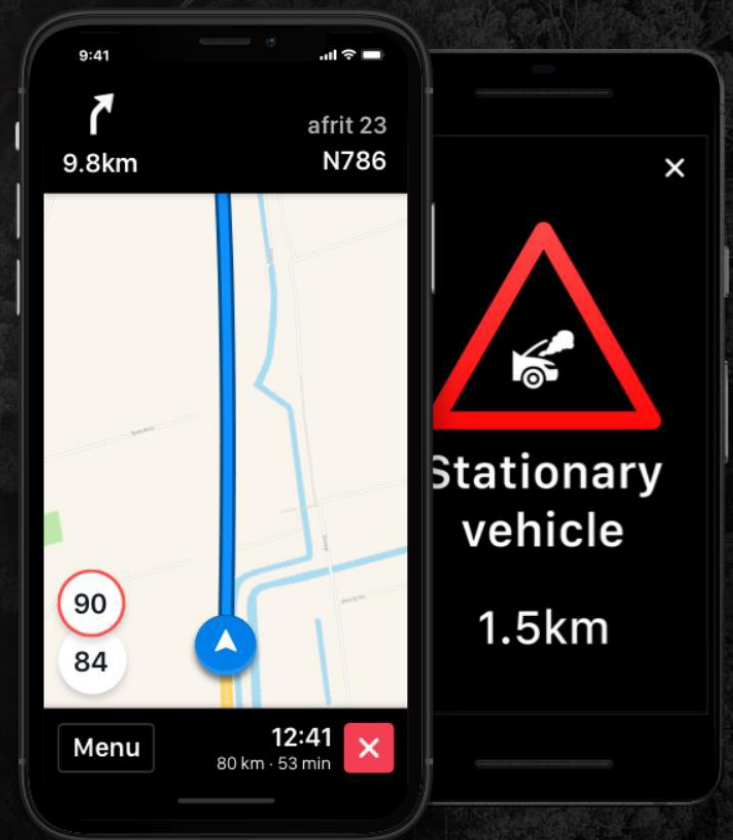
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