



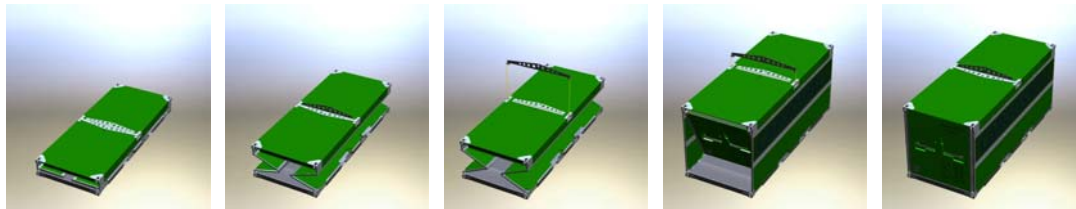
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PRESS RELEASE

Cargoshell – the innovative and sustainable container concept

Rotterdam, June 28th, 2011 – In June 2009, we presented a whole new container concept: Cargoshell, a collapsible container made of composite materials that can be easily integrated into the current standardised transport chain.

The developments around Cargoshell have continued since 2009. Next September, Germanische Lloyd will test Cargoshell for its ISO certification. A second, international presentation will follow on Monday, October 31.



Certification by Germanische Lloyd

Containers have to meet strict certification requirements and are tested by independent classification bureaus . New containers may only be released to the market once they have been certified. The Cargoshell container will be submitted to Germanische Lloyd for certification in September.

A work group consisting of market specialists in the field of composites and sea containers as well as an engineering bureau has been assembled for the certification project. Some specific issues have been improved in order to make the container conform better to the market. For example, the roll-up doors have been replaced by hinged doors. These adjustments were implemented without compromising the ground-breaking innovations of the original concept, such as substantial weight reductions, the ability to be broken down by one person within 30 seconds, and the vital CO2 reduction.





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Cargoshell: innovation in a green package

Global warming is the most important problem of our time. The parties involved in transporting, processing and storing containers around the world have a special part to play in the solution, but to do so they will require breakthrough innovations.

The large-scale global introduction of Cargoshell's new container concept will substantially reduce CO2 emissions.

While maintaining the successful qualities of the current container, Cargoshell offers a number of vital innovations. The most important is the sizable reduction in CO2 emissions that will be realised if Cargoshell replaces the current container in use around the world.

Since Cargoshell is constructed of fibre-reinforced plastic composite materials, the new container is much lighter than the current steel container. A second vital innovation is the fact that Cargoshell containers are collapsible. Steel containers take up the same amount of space whether they are empty or full. An empty Cargoshell, however, takes up only ¼ of the volume of a full container. These weight- and space savings reduce the operational costs, making Cargoshell even more attractive from a financial perspective. Cargoshell is also busy developing a track-and-trace system to better follow the container's location and condition.

International presentation in October

The presentation of the ISO certificate is a perfect moment to definitively launch Cargoshell via a second, international presentation Monday, October 31, 2011. Minister of Infrastructure and the Environment Schultz van Haegen will be in attendance.

Commitment by major players and influential parties

A new transport concept like Cargoshell can only be feasible if its development is supported by important parties. Rotterdam is one of the largest and most innovative port cities in the world, and has plenty of know-how. Some organisations that have already provided their commitment to the project include: ECT, RCI, the Rotterdam Development Corporation and Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences.

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