

# **GREAT Sustainable Transport**

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Discover the business potential in Europe's modern ports

## **The Opportunities**

Europe's ports are embracing transformation, creating valuable opportunities for UK businesses to expand and innovate in key markets. With major infrastructure upgrades, green energy initiatives, and technological advancements, the ports of Romania, Bulgaria, Malta, Greece, and Portugal are becoming central to global trade and sustainability efforts.

**Romania**'s Constanța Port is a rising leader, with a 17% increase in cargo value driven by new railways, expanded piers, and enhanced connectivity. Nearby, Galați's multimodal platform and the modernized terminals at Tulcea and Sulina offer further prospects for diversified operations and increased capacity.

In **Bulgaria**, significant investments—over €260 million—are powering developments in intermodal terminals, pier electrification, solar parks, and automated port equipment.

**Greece** adds to the potential with ports serving as key nodes for shipping and energy logistics, offering opportunities for pier modernisation, offshore energy projects and room to increase container capacity.

In **Malta**, ports are embracing a clean energy future with significant investments in offshore wind and solar farms. These developments aim to integrate renewable energy into maritime operations creating opportunities for UK businesses specialising in renewable technologies and sustainable solutions.

Meanwhile, **Portugal** is driving forward port electrification and onshore power systems, supported by critical upgrades to gird infrastructure. These efforts position Portuguese ports as leaders in green energy adoption, offering plenty collaboration opportunities.



#### **Register now**

Please register your interest with:

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#### **Event costs**

There is no participation fee.

#### Venue:

The Royal Horsegurads Hotel – River Room 1 Whitehall Place, London SW1A 2HD

#### **The Programme**

**13:00 – 14:00** Networking Lunch **14:00 – 15:00** Presentation of regional opportunities – port representatives from Bulgaria and Romania

**15:00 – 15:30** Coffee break **15:30 – 16:30** Presentation of regional opportunities – port representatives from Greece, Malta and Portugal

**16:30 – 17:30** Networking Session - Opportunity for B2B meetings

## Who should attend?

This trade mission offers the ideal opportunity to connect with representatives of ports and key players in these markets and explore partnerships that align with your business goals. With growing demand and forward-thinking investments, Europe's ports are ready to welcome innovative UK businesses into their success stories.

UK companies – small, mid-sized and large – with an innovative product or service and expertise in:

- Port Planning, Infrastructure and Design, Engineering and Port Equipment;
- Energy solutions;
- Cyber Security, Data and Software & Smart Port Solutions;
- Coastal Infrastructure Environment;
- Port Management.



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