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INTERMODAL CONTAINER TRANSPORT IN EUROPE

Good.

WE CONNECT RAIL, WATER & ROAD

Optimodal Nederland B.V. (https://optimodal.nl/en/about-optimodal/) offers intermodal and trimodal transport solutions for container transport in Europe. We connect rail, inland waterways and road to deliver efficient, flexible and sustainable logistics solutions for hinterland transport.

As a neutral logistics service provider, we specialize in hinterland container transport by rail, inland waterway and truck. We operate as a reliable agent for rail operators as well as a partner for companies with a need for intermodal container transport in Europe. Our synchromodal concepts enable smooth and well-coordinated handling across all transport modes.

Trimodal container transports with Optimodal help reduce costs, avoid traffic congestion and lower CO_2 emissions. We develop tailor-made transport solutions for your logistical requirements throughout Europe.

BARGE CAPACITY RESTRICTED?
SWITCH TO RAIL.

Rail container transport (https://optimodal.nl/en/containertransport/transport-by-train/) between Rotterdam, Antwerp and North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW): When barge capacity is limited or low water levels restrict inland shipping on the Rhine, Optimodal offers a reliable and flexible transport alternative.

With the „Quirinus Express“ Rotterdam–Neuss, we provide efficient container transport by rail, connecting the ports of Rotterdam and Antwerp with key logistics regions including Neuss, Düsseldorf, Duisburg, Cologne, the Lower Rhine and the Ruhr area.

Rail transport for import and export containers – as an alternative or complement to inland shipping.

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TRIMODAL LOGISTICS

Optimodal - smooth: Intermodal, Green Rail & Barge Services - all over Europe
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(https://optimodal.nl/en/container-transport-by-inland-barge-on-the-rhine-to-from-rotterdam-and-antwerp-resumed/)

Container Transport by Inland Barge on the Rhine to/from Rotterdam and Antwerp Resumed (https://optimodal.nl/en/container-transport-by-inland-barge-on-the-rhine-to-from-rotterdam-and-antwerp-resumed/)
August 21, 2026



(https://optimodal.nl/en/containertransport/transport-by-train/)



(https://optimodal.nl/en/containertransport/barge/)



(https://optimodal.nl/en/containertransport/trucking/)

NETWORK

Benefit from the strong connections of our network in Europe:

The locations in Rotterdam, Neuss, and Hamburg offer flexible and environmentally friendly solutions for sustainable container transport, reliably covering all major routes within Europe.

Through close collaboration with our trusted partners, we are able to efficiently and on time handle complex logistical challenges. Our network allows us to always provide the best possible solution for your transport needs – precisely tailored to your individual requirements.



Europe-Wide Routes

With our Europe-wide network, your container transports are always in good hands. We offer flexible and reliable solutions that adapt to your schedule and requirements. Rely on punctual deliveries and maximum flexibility for your entire logistics chain in Europe.

CONTACT US IN HAMBURG
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NEUSS

Germany Hub

Our location in Neuss is your central partner for container transport in North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW). From here, you can quickly and efficiently reach all key markets and industrial zones in NRW. Benefit from optimally coordinated transport services and seamless connections to national and international routes.

CONTACT US IN NEUSS
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ROTTERDAM

All Ports of Europe

Through our location in Rotterdam, one of Europe's largest ports, you have access to all key global markets. No matter which route or transport mode you choose, we ensure that your cargo arrives reliably, safely, and sustainably at its destination.

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73.7K

TEUs transported in 2025

69.5K

TEUs handled as an agent in 2025

25.5M

Turnover in 2025

LOKI NEWS



(https://optimodal.nl/en/08-09-2026-low-water-surcharge-scale-7/)

08.09.2026: Low Water Surcharge Scale 7 (https://optimodal.nl/en/08-09-2026-low-water-surcharge-scale-7/)

September 8, 2026

The water level measured at the Duisburg-Ruhrort gauge at 05:00 on 08.09.2026 is 1.59 m. Consequently, Low Water Surcharge Level 7 (1.60 m to 1.51

READ MORE » (https://optimodal.nl/en/08-09-2026-low-water-surcharge-scale-7/)



(https://optimodal.nl/en/expert-interview-with-karsten-scheidhauer-low-water-levels-on-the-rhine-how-can-container-transport-remain-predictable/)

Expert interview with Karsten Scheidhauer: Low water levels on the Rhine – how can container transport remain predictable? (https://optimodal.nl/en/expert-interview-with-karsten-scheidhauer-low-water-levels-on-the-rhine-how-can-container-transport-remain-predictable/)

September 7, 2026

Low water levels on the Rhine and limited barge capacity are currently a major concern for shippers and logistics companies along the river. How can

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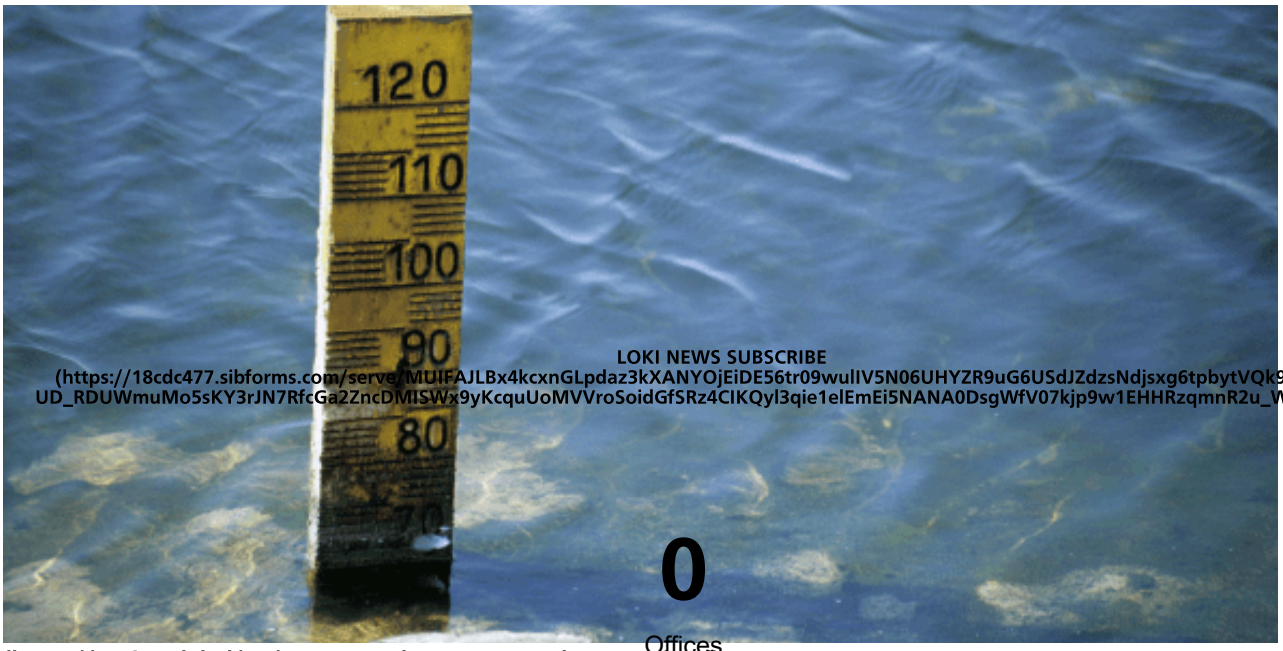
(https://optimodal.nl/en/inland-container-transports-by-barge-between-neuss-antwerp-and-rotterdam/)

07.09.2026: Low Water Surcharge Scale 6 (https://optimodal.nl/en/inland-container-transports-by-barge-between-neuss-antwerp-and-rotterdam/)

September 7, 2026

The water level measured at the Duisburg-Ruhrort gauge at 05:00 on 07.09.2026 is 1.66 m. Consequently, Low Water Surcharge Level 6 (1.70 m to 1.61

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Offices

(https://optimodal.nl/en/04-09-2026-low-water-surcharge-scale-4/)

04.09.2026: Low Water Surcharge Scale 4 (https://optimodal.nl/en/04-09-2026-low-water-surcharge-scale-4/)

September 4, 2026

The water level measured at the Duisburg-Ruhrort gauge at 05:00 on 04.09.2026 is 1.90 m. Consequently, Low Water Surcharge Level 4 (2.00 m to 1.81

READ MORE » (https://optimodal.nl/en/04-09-2026-low-water-surcharge-scale-4/)

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Team members

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Service in Rotterdam

SURCHARGES

Valid for | Gültig für | Geldig voor	DIESEL Scale | Staffel | Schaal	BUNKER Scale | Staffel | Schaal
04/2026	07 (https://optimodal.nl/en/containertransport/trucking/#diesel)	14 (https://optimodal.nl/en/containertransport/barge/#bunker)
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06/2026	20 (https://optimodal.nl/en/containertransport/trucking/#diesel)	38 (https://optimodal.nl/en/containertransport/barge/#bunker)
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WATER LEVEL

Date	Rhine Level Duisburg-Ruhrort	LWS scale
2026/09/08	1.59 m	7
2026/09/07	1.66 m	6
2026/09/06	1.76 m	5
2026/09/05	1.84 m	4
2026/09/04	1.90 m	4

FAQ

+ What is intermodal container transport?
+ What are the benefits of intermodal container transport?
+ Who are Optimodal’s customers?
+ Which regions and routes does Optimodal serve?
+ Which key connections does Optimodal offer?

AWARDS



(https://www.neuss.de/news/2025/09/10/stadt-neuss-verleiht-erstmals-das-neusser-zukunftssiegel)



(https://hanse-neuss.de/hansepreis-2024/)

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