



PORT AUTONOME DE KRIBI
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Port of Kribi XXXL

Four Mega Max Vessels, One Port, One Ambition A Historic Event, A Display of Power, A Strong Signal Sent in the Sub-Region

Kribi, 9 July 2025 – On Wednesday 9 July 2025, the Port Authority of Kribi achieved a maritime prowess by simultaneously accommodating four vessels endowed with huge capacities. These include a 400-metre-long vessel and two other vessels of more than 300 metres. This Megastructure, headed by Patrice MELOM, has charted the course of Cameroon's maritime history.

An unprecedented Logistics Operation

The four vessels currently at quay perfectly showcase the operational capacity of the modern Port of Kribi:

- **MSC China:** a 400-metre-long mega max vessel, with a capacity of 24,116 TEUs;
- **APL Mexico City:** a 328.20-metre-long vessel, with a capacity of 9,200 TEUs;
- **CMA CGM Jacques Junior:** a 300-metre-long, with a capacity of 9,200 TEUs;
- **Lady Babu:** a 176.83-metre-long bulk carrier, weighing 33,720 tonnes DWT.

This logistics operation is an unprecedented event in the Port of Kribi's history and it is an uncommon technical prowess across Africa's Atlantic Coast. This event hereby marks the successful completion of the start of operations of Phase II.

Operational Excellence and State-of-the-art Infrastructure

The success of this operation is based on cutting-edge equipment: expanded quays, state-of-the-art STS and RTG gantry cranes, a 16-metre natural depth and an increased storage capacity. The fact that no incident has been recorded ever since the start of operations is attest to the efficient procedures put in place at the Port of Kribi.

A Strong Signal sent in the Sub-Region

Located at the crossroads of major international maritime routes, notably the Africa Express Rotation, the Port of Kribi stakes a claim as a strategic gateway for trade between Africa and Asia. This display of power consolidates its role as major logistics hub in Central Africa and boosts national import-substitution and industrialisation policies.

The Port Authority of Kribi therefore asserts its mission to becoming a continental maritime hub that combines exceptional technical performance with optimal geostrategic positioning to boost the economic development of Cameroon and its sphere of influence.

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INFORMATION ON THE PORT OF KRIBI

Located in the South Region, Ocean Division, 35km away from the town of Kribi, the Kribi Deep Sea Port has been operational since 2 March 2018. The Port of Kribi is the gateway that connects Cameroon and neighbouring countries to countries in the Gulf of Guinea. It is connected to the national transportation system and therefore to all Central African countries and to Nigeria through several transportation means. Thanks to its 16-metre quay depth, modern and efficient infrastructure, this 3rd generation port is capable of providing vessels and cargo with the best services according to international standards. Moreover, with its 15,000-hectare surface area, the Port of Kribi ranks among the world's largest industrial port zones and it provides ideal conditions for companies willing to establish and venture in huge industrial projects.

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