

ANFAC presents its annual report results for the Port of Valencia at the PAV

The main car manufacturers choose Valencia as the best port for this type of traffic

- **ANFAC and the PAV are working together on the new challenges facing vehicle traffic.**
- **The Port of Sagunto was ranked fifth, increasing its score to 4.2 points out of 5.**

Valencia, 21st January 2015. Today, the Executive Deputy Chairman of the Spanish Association of Car and Truck Manufacturers (ANFAC) presented the opinion of the port and shipping logistics industry in its 2013 annual report results to the Port Authority of Valencia. The meeting analysed the main challenges facing this type of port traffic. In this year's report, in which 12 vehicle manufacturers participated, the Port of Valencia was chosen as the best Spanish port for this type of traffic with a score of 4.6 out of 5.

The aspects which were most highly valued by car manufacturers included rail accessibility, thanks to the connection to the East Breakwater, which can simultaneously cater for two rail convoys up to 700 metres long. As well as positively rating the introduction of this service, the port was given the maximum score in loading and unloading vehicles off trains, with a total absence of vehicle incidents. In addition, the manufacturers recognised the excellent work in handling cars in loading and unloading operations on and off trucks and vessels, as well as the flexibility of the service offered.

The Port of Sagunto was ranked fifth in the report, with a score of 4.2 out of 5. Although the port was penalised for not having a rail link, the Sagunto facility obtained an excellent score, which was slightly higher than the previous year. The manufacturers valued the improvements in road infrastructure very highly with the elimination of a high bridge on the route into the port. Similarly, it also obtained good scores in aspects such as assigning depot areas and the loading and unloading of trucks.

Vehicle traffic

Valenciaport is a strategic port for the Spanish automotive industry. In 2013, the Port Authority of Valencia handled over 465,000 vehicles (12.63% up on the previous year), of which over 223,000 were shipped for export. The port works with the world's main car manufacturers, including Ford, with 40% of total vehicle throughput; Fiat, with 15%, Opel, with 10%, and Peugeot, with 5%. The facility also handles vehicles made by other companies such as Alfa Romeo, Audi, BMW, Chevrolet, Chrysler, Citroen, Dacia, Daihatsu, Honda, Hyundai, Iveco Pegaso, Jaguar, Jeep, Kia, Lada, Lancia, Land Rover, Lexus, Maverick, Mazda, Mercedes Benz, Mitsubishi, Nissa, Pontiac, Porsche, Renault, Rover, Saab, Santana, Seat, Skoda, Ssangyong, Subaru, Suzuki, Tata and Toyota.

