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### *Conclusion phase of the Quality and Environmental Management System Certification*



After being audited with success the APSS, SA Quality and Environmental Management System, is awaited its full integration and certification right after the 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase of the Concession Auditorship, which will be done, in November, by the *Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance*.

Thus, the Quality and Environmental integrated management will be applied to each process, daily procedure and assumed decision. This commitment is enclosed in the Quality and Environmental policy established for the Setúbal and Sesimbra ports development. The sustainability issues aren't applicable in the same way to all APSS jurisdiction area, being one of the most complex challenges of today for the modern ports: Operational efficiency versus global economic, social and environmental constraints of the surrounding areas.

Most immediately, it becomes increasingly clear the commitment of the entities of the Port Community with the environmental preservation as well as with the rendered high quality port services, which are reflected in the port operations risk reduction and in the multimodal transport options, focusing the railway.

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