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Malaysia to host first World Shipper's Conference in KL

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia, will play host to the first World Shipper's Conference on September 18, as delegates from around the globe will meet to discuss the challenges and issues concerning the shipping industry worldwide, Bernama reports.

Malaysian Deputy Prime Minister, Najib Razak, told reporters that representatives from the European Union, Indonesia, Japan and Singapore would speak at the event, entitled "Maritime Competition, Exporters/Importers Challenges".

The Deputy Prime Minister said the event's speakers will discuss collective rate setting, terminal handling charges, and the way forward for Asian shippers.

The event will be held at the Nikko Hotel in Kuala Lumpur.

In related news, Malaysia will also host the upcoming Federation of Asian Shippers' Council AGM on September 19, where members will discuss and consider issues such as the one-box rate, heavyweight container surcharges, Johor port rationalisation and licensing issues relating to the logistics sector.

"The meeting will consider reports from regional members including Australia, China, Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea, Macau, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka and Pakistan, Malaysia's Deputy Minister of International Trade and Industry, Ng Lip Yong, said.

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