

# DP World builds new port in Congo



DP World and DRC last year made an agreement on the construction of the first deep-sea port in Congo, which has now begun

Global port operator DP World has begun construction of the first deep-sea port in Congo. The Dubai-based company and the Government of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) have laid the first stone to mark the beginning of construction.

The mega-facility at Banana Port is expected to boost the country's trade, with the ability to accommodate large vessels and featuring a container yard that spans 30 hectares.

As part of the project, DP World will develop an initial 600-metre quay with an 18-metre draft to handle the largest vessels in operation.

"Banana Port will be a modern, world-class port. Once complete, it will attract more direct calls from larger vessels travelling from Asia and Europe, greatly enhancing the country's access to international markets and global supply chains," said Sultan Ahmed bin Sulayem, Group Chairman and CEO of DP World.