

THE INTERMODAL PARADIGM IN TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS: A LOOK AT THE MAPUTO CORRIDOR

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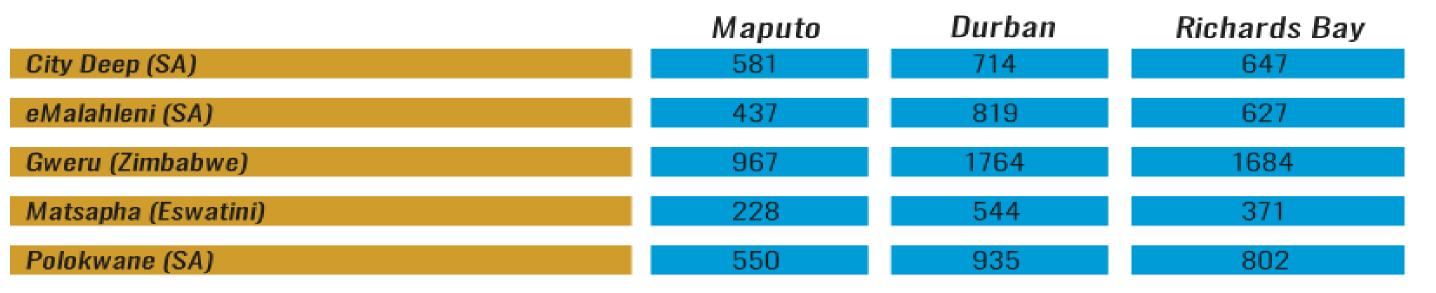
About the Maputo Corridor

- Predominantly a bulk transport corridor not ideally suited to intermodal transport
- Shortness of the corridor (590kms) insufficient for significant intermodal benefits to accrue
- Road transport is oversubscribed carries 75-80% of cargo volumes
- Favours quick road transport turnaround times
- Disparity in service efficiency and reliability between road and rail transport makes intermodal challenging
- Rail capacity significantly behind demand carries only 25 30% of cargo volumes
- Limited container traffic

CORRIDOR ROAD DISTANCES (IN KM)

	JHB	eMalahleni	Belfast	Mbombela	Komatipoort	
Maputo	590	450	358	221	92	

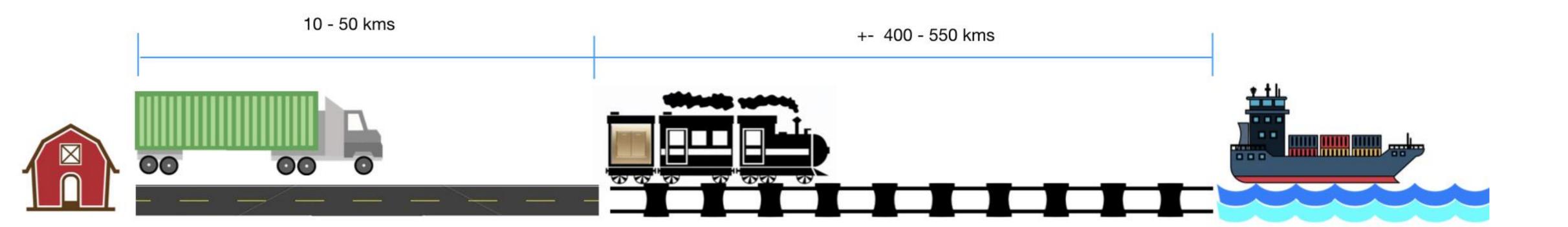
COMPARATIVE RAIL DISTANCES





Could Intermodal Transport Work?

- Potential lies in increased container cargo
- Expected to increase from 2019
- Could be the catalyst for increasing demand for intermodal infrastructure
- Excellent option for seasonal citrus packed at source
- Would benefit from increased pricing predictability, reduced handling costs, efficiency and better security



Intermodal Transport - More than Trucks, Trains and Ships

Infrastructure

· Road, rail, IT connectivity, improved financial transaction efficiency

Legislation and an Enabling Environment

 Competitive legislative and regulatory harmonisation throughout the region is critical

Trade Facilitation

Integrated systems and information sharing for seamless movement of cargo

Regional integration requires political will and a concerted move away from protectionism



Conclusion

Intermodalism must be utilised to maximise efficiency and competitiveness.

On the Maputo Corridor this will be determined by

- Cargo type
- Demand for increased infrastructure capacity
- Increased container throughput
- Increased capital investment in
 - Rail infrastructure
 - IT connectivity

None of this is possible without solid partnerships between the public and private sector





Thank You!

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