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Terminals urged to integrate ops

Container terminals in Hong Kong should share facilities and integrate operations to increase their efficiency and competitiveness, according to a study conducted by the *Hang Seng Management College*.

It looked at the port terminal operations at Kwai Tsing Container Terminals and ran a simulation model on the level of inter-terminal transfer, estimating that as much as 49 percent of costs could be reduced every year with collaborations. "It will bring lower operating costs and more efficient operations to KTCT's operators, cut waiting times and costs for shipping lines, and also bring about an improvement in air quality of the neighboring areas," said Collin Wong Wai-hung, associate dean of *HSMC* school of decision science.

The study found the amount of carbon dioxide could be cut by 40 percent while vessel waiting time would be an hour less.

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