

DHL Freight invests 4 million euros into new road freight terminal in Marseille

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"We are really excited to expand our network of road freight services and modernize another very important hub in the Mediterranean. In light of increasing demand for our services, it is of utmost importance that we do everything to offer sustainable, efficient, and reliable logistics solutions to our customers. We subscribe to successful and sustainable business practices. This new site near Marseille will allow us to continue to do exactly that," says Uwe Brinks, CEO DHL Freight.

The new terminal boasts a cross-deck area of 3,204m2 with 35 gates, on a total space of 3,632m2. The increased logistics capacities allow for quicker and more efficient road transportation, thereby increasing the reliability of shipments and customer satisfaction. For example, the terminal will offer the consolidation and deconsolidation of Less-than-Truckload shipments, which the DHL network will then distribute customers in the European market. Connecting the continents of Europe and Africa, the terminal in Marseille will also use its capacities to become an important gateway to and from Tunisia.

Focused on sustainable operations and compliance with the climate energy bill, DHL Freight ensured that solar panels would cover at least 30 % of the roof surface. In addition, DHL Freight recently introduced the GoGreen Plus service to reduce CO2 emissions for road transport. Following the carbon insetting approach, DHL Freight is decarbonizing its European road freight network by investing in low- and zero emission technologies such as electric vehicles and alternative fuels, be it

biogas (Bio-LNG or Bio-CNG) or hydrotreated vegetable oil (HVO), for its linehaul as well as pickup- and delivery services. This new service is of course also available for customers in Marseille and throughout France.

"The new terminal near Marseille is a big win for our customers in the whole Mediterranean region, as well as the environment," says Claude Brigand, Managing Director DHL Freight France. "Our aim is to provide efficient logistics and reliable services while maintaining the highest ecological standards."

Other solutions implemented at the Marseille terminal to minimize the impact on the environment include for example the use of LED sensor lights and the operation of a sophisticated waste sorting and recycling system. Even beehives have found a new home on the terminal's grounds. These steps are in accordance with Deutsche Post DHL Group's commitment to providing sustainable logistic solutions that will reduce emissions to net zero by 2050.

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