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SWISSPORT ACQUIRES VIAEUROPE TO EXPAND ITS E-COMMERCE SERVICE OFFERING

Swissport International is expanding the breadth of its service offering in cargo handling through the acquisition of ViaEurope, an end-to-end e-commerce handling company, specializing in advanced solutions for shippers, cargo airlines and freight forwarders.

Swissport International AG, the global leader in airport ground services and air cargo handling, has signed an agreement to acquire ViaEurope, an innovative logistics services provider, specializing in end-to-end cross-border e-commerce solutions. The combination of ViaEurope with Swissport creates a single point of contact for shippers, cargo airlines and freight forwarders, while providing a comprehensive service offering across each step of the product journey from aircraft handling, warehousing, customs clearance, tracking and preparation for delivery. This will allow Swissport to offer an expanded suite of services to its customers.

"ViaEurope has an industry-leading offering that provides global e-commerce players improved lead times and visibility. ViaEurope's focus on efficiency and operational excellence aligns perfectly with Swissport's ambition and DNA. It also provides us with a leading solution in the rapidly growing e-commerce logistics space," says Warwick Brady, President & CEO of Swissport International. "We are looking forward to welcome the ViaEurope leadership and people as new colleagues".

ViaEurope offers its services at five major airports in Europe: Amsterdam, Brussels, Budapest, Frankfurt, and Liège.

"Partnering with Swissport and its extensive network will allow us to offer our services more broadly," says Bram-Jan Streefland, CEO of ViaEurope. "The combination of our expertise will offer customers an excellent level of service quality by minimizing lead-times and providing greater information transparency from aircraft touch down to delivery."

According to industry analysts, the volume of cross-border e-commerce goods is expected to increase more than 50% by 2027. The innovative e-commerce capabilities ViaEurope brings, will allow Swissport to better serve its customers as the leading airport service provider globally.

This transaction is subject to regulatory approvals.

In 2023, Swissport International AG provided best-in-class airport ground services for some 232 million airline passengers (2022: 186 million) and handled roughly 4.7 million tons of air freight (2022: 4.8 million) at 115 air cargo centers worldwide. Several of its warehouses have been certified for pharmaceutical logistics by IATA's CEIV Pharma and by the British MHRA. At the end of December 2023, the world's leader in airport ground services and air cargo handling, with currently around 60,000 employees, was active at 286 airports in 44 countries on six continents.

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