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SWISSPORT UNDERLINES MARKET LEADING POSITION WITH EXTENSION OF HANDLING LICENSE AT GENEVA AIRPORT

Swissport has been awarded once again the license to provide airport ground services at Geneva International Airport in Switzerland. The new license, set to start in November 2023, will be valid for seven years.

In a competitive international tender process with 5 participants, Swissport secured an extension of its existing license to operate at Geneva International Airport. The new license will run for seven years until October 2030. It entitles Swissport to offer all airport ground services and air cargo logistics, including valuable handling.

"We are delighted to offer aviation services to our customers in Geneva for another seven years. The license renewal is a credit to our excellent staff, the high quality of our services and the stability of our operations, which are recognized by airlines in Geneva and around the world," says Bruno Stefani, CEO DACH, Italy & France.

Swissport has been operating at Geneva airport since 1997. The company currently employs a total of around 1,100 people in Geneva. In 2022, Swissport Geneva served over 5.5 million passengers and handled more than 45,000 flights and 29,000 tons of air cargo. With over 26 years of experience in Geneva, Swissport currently provides airport ground services and cargo handling to almost 70 percent of the airlines at Geneva Airport.

Beyond a consistent operational performance, Swissport has set itself ambitious sustainability targets. The electrification plan is already underway and aims to replace existing combustion engine vehicles with electric vehicles. Currently, the share of electric vehicles in Geneva is 47 percent, which is well above the global average. The company has committed to achieving a 55% share of electric vehicles globally by 2032.

Swissport has a long-standing social partnership with the trade unions. The company is the only ground handling service provider in Switzerland to have a collective labor agreement. Based on this social partnership, Swissport was able to renew the collective labor agreements with its social partners on 1 March 2022.

In 2022, Swissport International AG provided best-in-class airport ground services for some 186 million airline passengers (2021: 97 million) and handled roughly 4.8 million tons of air freight (2021: 5.1 million) at 117 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 2022, the world's leader in airport ground services and air cargo handling, with currently around 50,000 employees, was active at 292 airports in 45 countries on six continents.

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