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## **SWISSPORT OPENS NEW EXECUTIVE AVIATION TERMINAL AT MARRAKECH AIRPORT IN MOROCCO**

Swissport Executive Aviation, a subsidiary of Swissport International AG, is further expanding its business in Morocco. After establishing its first Moroccan fixed-base operation (FBO) for business and executive aviation in Casablanca in 2018, Swissport now moved into a dedicated VIP terminal at Marrakech Menara Airport, which opened on 1 February 2020.

Swissport Executive Aviation has moved into a newly built terminal for VIP flights and executive aviation at Marrakech Menara Airport, where it opened a fixed-base operation (FBO) on 1 February 2020. The new facility offers state-of-the-art infrastructure, that make arrivals, stopovers and departures convenient and hassle-free. Marrakech is Swissport's second facility of this kind in Morocco, after the Casablanca FBO, which opened in 2018. The VIP terminal includes a building from the Moroccan Airports Authority ONDA for police and customs.

On more than 500 sqm, the stylish facility offers relaxing lounge space for up to 40 passengers, including a bar and a media corner. The terminal also includes a VVIP lounge for up to nine guests. The first floor is reserved for crew members and can accommodate up to 18 people. Here, they can relax and prepare for their flights. The crew area includes a TV lounge, a kitchen, two spacious bedrooms and bathrooms with showers.

"With the opening of our second Moroccan FBO in this new, state-of-the-art VIP terminal in Marrakech we are further expanding Swissport's strong position in the north African Executive Aviation market", says Christophe de Figueiredo, CEO Swissport Morocco. "We are pleased to increase our services and quality for the executive aviation community traveling to and from Marrakech Menara Airport."

Swissport Executive Aviation was first launched as a business line at the Nice Côte d'Azur Airport in 2001. In 2018, the Casablanca FBO was added to the global network. Today, Swissport Executive Aviation handles over 24,000 flights per year at over 90 bases around the world. Our dedicated employees go the extra mile to follow our clients' schedules to the minute and to perform beyond their high expectations.

Swissport offers dedicated executive services in 25 countries, among them Algeria, Argentina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Finland, Israel, Japan, Kenya, New Zealand, South Africa and Tanzania.

In 2018, Swissport International AG provided best-in-class airport ground services for some 282 million airline passengers and handled roughly 4.8 million tons of air freight in 115 cargo warehouses worldwide. Several of its warehouses have been certified for pharmaceutical logistics by IATA's CEIV. The world's leader in airport ground services and air cargo handling, with 66,000 employees, achieved consolidated operating revenue of 2.99 billion euros in 2018. At the end of September 2019, Swissport was active at 307 airports in 48 countries on six continents.

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