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SWISSPORT OPERATES LOUNGE AT BASEL AIRPORT UNTIL 2030 / REFURBISHMENT AND REDESIGN TO BEGIN SHORTLY

Swissport has been granted an extension of its operational license for the wellknown Skyview Lounge at EuroAirport Basel-Mulhouse until 2030. As part of the competitive tender, the company submitted an investment and refurbishment plan, which includes a new service concept catering to different guest categories.

On 6 December 2023, Swissport received the operational license to manage and renovate the well-known Skyview Lounge at the EuroAirport Basel-Mulhouse. In its proposal, Swissport presented a detailed plan for the comprehensive refurbishment of the lounge, aligning it with its esteemed ASPIRE brand. The initiative goes beyond a simple redesign and incorporates an optimization of the catering and guest services provided.

"Swissport is thrilled by the extension of the concession. As the leading provider of airport ground services at EuroAirport Basel-Mulhouse and around the world, Swissport is also developing into one of the global leaders in airport lounge hospitality," says Andreas Keller, Managing Director Switzerland & France. "We are delighted that our proposal convinced the jury and look forward to introducing Aspire's latest lounge design and hospitality concepts at EuroAirport to enhance the quality of stay and the overall passenger experience of our guests."

WORLD-LEADING PASSENGER SERVICES AND WELL-BEING

The introduction of the ASPIRE lounge concept at Basel's EuroAirport by Swissport will bring a substantial enhancement in terms of infrastructure and service offerings. The reimagined lounge boasts a distinct design concept and will be split into several areas. The Skycafé segment will offer a cozy café atmosphere, complete with a selection of light snacks. Meanwhile, the upper-level Skyterrace will provide an impressive vantage point overlooking airport operations, with access to an outdoor terrace. The Skyview Lounge, at the pinnacle of the offering, provides top-notch premium services. The Skybar is also available for private events and meetings.

A STRONG COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY

The new ASPIRE Lounge at EuroAirport Basel-Mulhouse will be committed to environmental sustainability and will be furnished exclusively with renewable materials, notably wood from sustainable sources. The lounge will be equipped with state-of-the-art, energy-efficient appliances and introduce an all new kitchen area to enrich the





catering services at EuroAirport with high-quality, locally sourced seasonal products. In sourcing the products, Swissport and its subsidiary Aspire Airport Lounges are paying attention to ensuring short delivery routes.

With a rich legacy of over 30 years in airport lounge hospitality, ASPIRE is the leading airport lounge brand in Europe, extending its hospitality services to over 4 million guests across 64 lounges in 13 countries worldwide.

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 June 2023, the world's leader in airport ground services and air cargo handling, with currently around 57,000 employees, was active at 294 airports in 44 countries on six continents.

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