

CAL Group takes pharma operations to the highest level

CAL Cargo first to receive CEIV Pharma certification for both cargo airline and ground handling operations

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The CAL Group announced today that it has completed IATA's Center of Excellence for Independent Validators Pharmaceutical Logistics (CEIV) certification program. Validating its airline operations as well as its logistics hub at Liege Airport, CAL is the first group to implement the certification across both airline and ground handling operations. Furthermore, CAL's broader scope of operations, including its road feeder services and other ground handlers, are also validated by CEIV thus CAL provides end-to-end pharma capabilities that conform to the highest standards.

The group's CEIV Pharma certification covers the group's airline and logistics hub at Liege Airport, including facilities, equipment, operations and staff. The group's road feeder services are offered through partnership with Jan de Rijk, already CEIV certified for pharma products. The process assessed the group's cool chain process and facilities, verified compliance with international standards, and trained personnel involved in pharma handling.

"CAL has committed to the pharma industry at the highest possible level. CAL has always been an early adopter of industry regulations, and now we're proud to be one of the first in the industry to earn the CEIV Pharma seal," said Eyal Zagagi, CEO of the CAL Group. "The global pharmaceutical logistics market is valued at over \$64 billion a year and new regulations and technology have made it essential to define a standard for pharma transportation, in compliance with international regulations. CEIV will define a single standard across the entire pharma logistics chain".

Navot Hirschhorn, CAL's Temperature Controlled & Special Products Manager said, "CAL's pharma transport segment is growing rapidly and we want to attract a bigger share of the European and American pharma shippers. We are investing in our expertise and infrastructure, and completing the CEIV certification guarantees we maintain the integrity of our customer's products."

"The Center of Excellence for Independent Validators Pharmaceutical Logistics (CEIV Pharma) program was developed as a new initiative by IATA to help foster air cargo's competitiveness in this growing segment", said Glyn Hughes, IATA Head of Cargo. "CAL demonstrated an extremely high level of expertise and was very much

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ready for the validation; the process went smoothly and quickly due to their vast experience in pharma handling. CEIV Pharma assesses and validates cool-chain processes and provides training to guarantee that industry stakeholders comply with all applicable standards and regulatory requirements".

About the CAL Group:

Established in 1976, the CAL Group proudly maintains three areas of expertise: (1) CAL Cargo Airlines- an all-cargo airline; (2) LACHS - Ground handling services in Liege cargo airport; (3) Trucking services throughout Europe and the USA. The CAL Group specializes in unique, complex and time and temperature sensitive cargo requirements such as pharmaceutical and healthcare products (CAL PHARMA), live animals (CAL LIVE), non-standard shipments (CAL BIG), dangerous goods (CAL DG) and perishables (CAL FRESH), valuables (CAL VAL) and engines (CAL ENGINES). Its main hub, located in Liege, (Belgium), provides immediate accessibility to all of Europe. Services include scheduled routes as well as ad-hoc and charter missions. CAL is a private company owned by Mr. Offer Gilboa as the controlling shareholder and Viola Credit Fund as a minority shareholder. It maintains offices worldwide as well as a strong network of GSA's.

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About IATA:

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