

**PRESS INFO**

Kuehne + Nagel Italy

**Sephora extends its partnership with Kuehne + Nagel**

**Milan / IT – May 2, 2012 – Sephora, the leading retail beauty chain and member of the luxury products group LVMH, has extended its logistics partnership with Kuehne + Nagel for a further three years.**

Kuehne + Nagel has been managing Sephora's national distribution centre in Italy since 2005. With the newly signed agreement, Kuehne + Nagel will expand its services to supply the customer's outlets in various European countries including Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Poland and Turkey as well as in the Middle East and in Asia. In total, over 300 stores, 112 of them in Italy, will be served according to the new agreement. As a result, Kuehne + Nagel expects to handle up to 40 million pieces of fragrances, make-ups, skin care and other beauty care products per year for the customer.

The Sephora logistics operations will be provided on a dedicated basis, in a newly built 12,900 sqm facility, fully compliant with the latest security and "green building" standards and equipped with large photovoltaic solar power installations.

Located in the Logistics Park of Santa Cristina e Bissone in the Lombardy region – some 50 kilometers southeast of Milan - the new facility ideally complements the existing 90,000 sqm area Kuehne + Nagel already operates in the Park.

Maurizio Stroppa, Supply Chain Manager of Sephora, explained: "The development of Sephora is greatly supported by its logistics choices. In this context, the new international logistics centre is a key element for our present and future growth in Eastern Europe, Far East and South East Asia."

"We are delighted that the customer has extended the contract and thus demonstrated its confidence in Kuehne + Nagel's expertise, capabilities and staff", said Ruggero Poli, Managing Director of Kuehne + Nagel Italy. "Even more so as it concerns the internationalisation of the logistics operation", he added.

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With over 63,000 employees at more than 1000 locations in over 100 countries, the Kuehne + Nagel Group is one of the world's leading logistics companies. Its strong market position lies in the seafreight, airfreight, contract logistics and overland businesses, with a clear focus on providing IT-based lead logistics solutions.

With 2,000 employees, Kuehne + Nagel Italy operates across 25 locations with 600,000 sqm under management.

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