

## Press release

### **Dachser obtains IATA CEIV pharma certification**

#### **Frankfurt airport location certified for transport of life science and health care products**

**Kempton/Frankfurt, November 27, 2018. Expanding its Life Science & Healthcare capabilities, Dachser has obtained the Center of Excellence for Independent Validators in Pharmaceutical Logistics (CEIV Pharma) certification from IATA for its Frankfurt airport branch.**

The transport of life science and health care products is extremely demanding; medications and other pharmaceutical products are frequently temperature-sensitive, urgent shipments, which need to be handled in compliance with a complex regulatory environment. As an industry standard, the CEIV Pharma certification covers the specific requirements of shippers of pharmaceutical products with regard to secure, correct, and efficient air-freight services. “The IATA certification is a key pillar of our global air-freight strategy,” says Jochen Müller, COO Air & Sea Logistics at Dachser. “It attests to the highest service and quality standards for life science and healthcare customers through uniform processes and a compliant network.”

The complex certification process began in 2017: CEIV Pharma certification required internal and external training, review of procedures for handling temperature-controlled Life Science & Healthcare shipments, and an extensive assessment of these complex processes by two separate independent validators.

“Our aim is to meet the highest international standards in global transportation of sensitive products,” says Timo Stroh, Head of Global Air Freight at Dachser. “This has benefits for our customers. We look forward to playing an important role in the shipment of life-saving medicines, and we will continue to expand our network capabilities as Business Field Solution Life Science & Healthcare over the coming year.”

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“IATA is very pleased to recognize the growing interest in aviation leaders such as Dachser to ensure the best standards are applied in the transportation of sensitive pharmaceutical products,” said Glyn Hughes, IATA’s Global Head of Cargo. “Air freight excellence is most evident when best practice harmonized processes are followed, especially when it comes to transporting potentially life-saving cargo such as pharmaceuticals.”

CEIV Pharma offers the pharmaceutical industry a globally consistent and recognized pharmaceutical product handling certification that meets and exceeds international global standards and guidelines. These include European Union and World Health Organization Good Distribution Practices (GDP), United States Pharmacopeia standards, and IATA temperature control regulations.

## **About Dachser:**

Thanks to some 29,100 employees at 396 locations all over the globe, Dachser generated revenue of 6.12 billion euros in 2017. That same year, the logistics provider handled a total of 81.7 million shipments weighing 39.8 million metric tons. Dachser is currently represented in 44 countries.

In Asia, Dachser employs more than 1,670 people in 49 offices in eleven countries. The Regional Head Office Asia Pacific is located in Hong Kong.

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