

## press release

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### **DHL builds a new logistics center at Brussels Airport**

#### **DHL Global Forwarding bundles air freight activities under one roof at Brucargo West with a total ground territory of 54,000 m<sup>2</sup>**

**Brussels, May 14, 2012** - DHL Global Forwarding, the air and ocean freight specialist within Deutsche Post-DHL Group starts building a new logistics center at Brucargo. With a total ground territory of 54,000 m<sup>2</sup> with 23,000 m<sup>2</sup> warehouse space, this facility unites DHL Global Forwarding Belgium's air freight activities under one roof at Brucargo West. DHL Global Forwarding has been based in Brucargo since the cargo area was developed in 1980. This 27 million euro investment shows the decision to settle in the Brussels Airport freight area was the right one.

"DHL Global Forwarding's choice for Brucargo strengthens the status of the cargo area and Brussels Airport as a key employment platform in Belgium. Brussels Airport is our country's second economic driver, providing 20,000 direct and 40,000 indirect jobs. Through this 27 million euro investment in this new logistics platform, DHL Global Forwarding is reinforcing our strategy to focus on the specific logistics needs of our various key industry sectors", says Jean-Claude Delen, CEO DHL Global Forwarding BeNeLux & France.

Meeting the most stringent air freight safety requirements and complying with the TAPA standards, the new 'state-of-the-art' logistics center will be ideally situated in this strategically important region, providing the best infrastructure for DHL Global Forwarding's air freight activities. The new building provides dedicated areas such as a 1,750m<sup>2</sup> temperature-controlled area with the highest GDP standards to meet the needs of our life science customers and customers with other particular requirements. In respect to Deutsche Post DHL's GoGreen environmental protection program, this investment represents a green investment for DHL Global Forwarding, involving the deployment of environmental technologies including solar panels installations and water recovery systems."



Arnaud Feist, CEO Brussels Airport says: "We are very pleased that a key partner such as DHL Global Forwarding did choose again for Brucargo and Brussels Airport. The extensive freight capacity available on our many long-haul passenger and freight flights with Brucargo's unique geographic location are definitely key assets. Today Brucargo houses many important players in the air freight chain including forwarders, road transport companies, handling firms and airlines alongside central and operational services, such as the customs authorities and the Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain. The new direct connection between the E19 high way and Brucargo with its own access and exit system, is crucial for stakeholders such as DHL Global Forwarding seen the intensity of the traffic flows. DHL Global Forwarding's continued presence brings a significant added value."

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