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# Lufthansa Cargo Presents Commitment to Transforming the Aviation Industry

- On Supply Chain Day, 18 April: Digitalization and innovation are key to transforming the air cargo industry
- Promotion of Sustainable Aviation Fuels: Aiming to become the most efficient cargo airline in the world
- Behind-the-scenes look: Lufthansa Cargo invites to tours on the airport premises

Air freight remains essential for the German economy. No other mode of transportation offers the necessary speed to transport time-critical, temperature-sensitive, and valuable goods. Whether it's urgent spare parts, vaccines, relief supplies, or animals on their way to a new home - when

speed, safety, and care are paramount, shipping by air freight is the best choice for freight forwarders, industrial and private customers.

On Supply Chain Day, 18 April, Lufthansa Cargo highlights the importance of air freight and how the company facilitates global trade. Lufthansa Cargo invites interested parties for a behind-the-scenes look at the Lufthansa Cargo Center in Frankfurt, the airline's primary hub for cargo.

# Enabling Global Business – From the Frankfurt Hub to the World

Frankfurt Airport plays a crucial role as a major hub in Europe: With a handling capacity of 20,000 tons per week, Lufthansa Cargo operates its largest logistics center worldwide at Frankfurt Airport. To continue supporting companies in participating in global trade amid growing industry demands, Lufthansa Cargo primarily relies on digitalization and innovative measures.

"Air freight remains a growth market, and the stable supply chains we can provide are indispensable," explains Thomas Rohrmeier, Head of Handling Frankfurt at Lufthansa Cargo. "This is especially essential in times of global tensions and changing customer needs. For this, we need innovative solutions that meet our requirements, those of our customers, and society."

#### **Modernization Project LCCevolution for Efficiency Enhancement**

However, these can only work with a modern infrastructure. For this purpose, the cargo airline is investing around 500 million Euros in construction and modernization measures in the Cargo City North.

"With a handling share of approximately 80 percent of Lufthansa Cargo's global cargo volume, the Frankfurt hub significantly determines the operational stability of Lufthansa Cargo," says Rohrmeier. The modernization will enable increased handling speed, smooth transportation processes and supply chains, and an improvement in service quality. Thus, the company reaffirms its commitment to the Frankfurt location and contributes to its attractiveness as a business hub.

#### **Reaching Goals with Sustainable Aviation Fuels**

Furthermore, Lufthansa Cargo is further advancing the reduction of its carbon footprint and aims for a neutral CO2 balance by 2050. By 2030, the company aims to halve net CO2 emissions through reduction and compensation measures compared to 2019. "A large portion of our emissions occur during flying," says Brian Kowalke, Environmental Manager at Lufthansa Cargo. "Therefore, Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF) are an important lever for reduction, which we already use and which already enable more sustainable flying today, reducing CO2 emissions by up to 80% compared to fossil fuels." In addition, the airline's freighter fleet is gradually being equipped with AeroSHARK technology. This involves applying a surface film specially developed by Lufthansa Technik and BASF to the aircraft, which reduces friction resistance and thus reduces the fuel consumption of the machines.

### About Supply Chain Day

Most people associate logistics with the transport of goods. But logistics is so much more than transporting things from A to B! Among other things, the Bundesvereinigung Logistik (BVL) launched Supply Chain Day in 2008 to bring the diversity of logistics closer to the public. Since then, companies, organizations and institutes have opened their doors to the public on Supply Chain Day - both on site and online - and for one day - in keeping with the motto "Experience logistics live" - provide insights into the exciting tasks and diverse job profiles of logistics. With 125 participating companies, organizations and institutes from 8 countries, 167 events and around 3,500 participants, Supply Chain Day 2023 was a complete success. Initiators are the communication agencies mainblick and teamtosse with the support of the Bundesvereinigung Logistik (BVL), the initiative "Die Wirtschaftsmacher" and the Deutscher Städte- und Gemeindebund (DStGB).

# Lufthansa Cargo AG

With revenue of 3.0 billion euros and a transport performance of 7.5 billion freight ton kilometers in 2023, Lufthansa Cargo is one of the world's leading companies in the transport of airfreight. The company currently employs

around 4,150 people worldwide. Lufthansa Cargo's focus is on the airport-toairport business. The route network covers around 300 destinations in more than 100 countries, using both freighter aircraft and cargo capacity from passenger aircraft operated by Lufthansa, Austrian Airlines, Brussels Airlines, Discover Airlines and SunExpress, as well as trucks. The majority of the cargo business is handled via Frankfurt Airport. Lufthansa Cargo is pursuing the goal of becoming the world's most environmentally friendly cargo airline. To achieve this, the company relies on state-of-the-art technologies and constant investments in the area of sustainability. In 2023, important milestones were reached, such as the investment in the continuous expansion of the B777F fleet, the expansion of short- and medium-haul networks with A321 freighters, and the continuation of the Sustainable Aviation Fuel program. In 2024, Lufthansa Cargo plans to successively equip its B777F fleet with Sharkskin technology, implement further digital services and contribute to reducing CO2 emissions through sustainable logistics solutions. Lufthansa Cargo is a wholly owned subsidiary of Deutsche Lufthansa AG and the specialist for the logistics business of the Lufthansa Group.

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