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**Bleckmann opens a new distribution centre in Venlo, The Netherlands**

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**Bleckmann, the logistics supply chain partner of growing fashion and lifestyle brands, is opening a new fulfilment centre in Venlo to increase its capacity in Europe's logistics hotspot. A lease agreement has been signed with Prologis for approximately 30,000 sq m. Operation for the first clients went live already and further implementations are planned to follow shortly. The property has a Breaam Very Good quality level.**

Bleckmann is an expert in Supply Chain Management (SCM) and the preferred partner of various growing fashion and lifestyle brands worldwide for total supply chain solutions.

Strategically perfect location

The new fulfilment centre is strategically positioned in the eco-business park Trade Port Noord in the Netherlands, close to industrially strong regions in Germany and Belgium. Trade Port Noord is known as the logistics hotspot in the Netherlands and Europe for years.

From this point, goods are transported by road, water and rail. An excellent multimodal infrastructure consisting of the Maas as an important inland shipping route with a connection to the port of Rotterdam, the A67 and A73 motorways, the Barge container terminal, and the rail terminal located right next to the distribution centre. This multimodal accessibility allows Bleckmann to combine different transport modes to optimise lead times and to reduce costs and environmental impact.

Expansion fits into the growth strategy

The expansion in Venlo fits into Bleckmann's growth strategy. So far, Bleckmann has occupied 32,000 sq m of Prologis space at Trade Port Noord. The commissioning of the new building adds another 30,000 sq m of floor space.

The new warehouse is just a few steps away from the other fulfilment centre, which offers several advantages from a user perspective.

The new fulfilment centre offers further expansion opportunities in the future. Because of that, it is possible to support existing clients in their further growth and allow new brands to enjoy top service.

Mark van Onna, General Manager Real Estate at Bleckmann: "The expansion of our existing campus in Venlo is good for our teams, our business and our clients. From this new fulfilment centre in the logistics heart of Europe, we can serve existing and new clients even more efficiently and flexibly. Thanks to our long-term partnership with Prologis, we quickly reached a commercial agreement and got this distribution centre operational in no time."

Bart Konings, Capital Deployment & Leasing Director at Prologis: "With its central location and state-of-the-art facilities, Prologis Park Venlo DC9 has everything to support Bleckmann's growth ambitions. We look forward to a good and long-term cooperation with Bleckmann."

Quentin Godfirnon, COO at Bleckmann: "The new distribution centre is an excellent opportunity to strengthen Bleckmann's presence in the EU's logistics hotspot, Venlo. This new state-of-the-art warehouse and real estate partner Prologis thus support Bleckmann's and its clients’ ambitious growth."

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About Prologis

Prologis, Inc. is the global leader in logistics real estate, focusing on high-barrier, high-growth markets. On 1 June 2022, the company held investments (fully owned or through co-investment projects) in properties and development projects with a surface of about 95 million square metres spread over 19 countries. Prologis leases modern distribution facilities to a diverse group of approximately 5,800 customers from two broad categories: business-to-business and retail/online fulfilment. For more information, please visit [www.prologis.nl](http://www.prologis.nl)

About Bleckmann

Bleckmann is the market leader in Supply Chain Management (SCM) services for the fashion, lifestyle and consumer electronics sectors.

Founded in 1862, Bleckmann has evolved from a transport company into a full supply chain solutions provider with a specific expertise in e-fulfilment solutions. With a strong base in Europe the company has expanded to the US and Asia enabling Bleckmann to service its customers across the globe as an end to end solutions provider. Bleckmann’s investments and vast experience in IT solutions enable a globally unified platform for our clients. Every day over 4000 team members support Bleckmann customers to deliver on their promises. With over 470 million Euro revenue, Bleckmann has the scale and flexibility to create world class solutions that delight its customers. For more information, please visit [www.bleckmann.com](http://www.bleckmann.com)

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