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“Freight Oscar” for DUS Cargo Logistics: Düsseldorf wins prize as best cargo airport

Düsseldorf is the world's best cargo airport in its category. About 20,000 experts from the air cargo and transport sector decided on this in the course of a survey conducted by the leading professional magazine Air Cargo News. The survey was accompanied and checked by the British International Freight Association, that is, the association of British forwarding companies. At the weekend, Gerton Hulsman, CEO of Flughafen Düsseldorf Cargo GmbH, accepted the award of “Best Cargo Airport” in the category of freight handling of up to 100,000 tons per year on behalf of the entire team in London. It is regarded as the most prestigious prize of the industry and as the “Oscar” of the air cargo sector.

“We are very much pleased with this prize and feel encouraged to continue our way and to provide our customers a maximum of quality and efficiency,” says Hulsman. “Since establishing the DUS Cargo Logistics in the year 2001 we have succeeded in convincing a lot of new customers of the excellence and quality of our services. In the coming years we plan to grow further and extend our position in the national and international air cargo traffic.”

Christoph Blume, CEO of the Flughafen Düsseldorf GmbH: “My congratulations to the cargo team for this success. The award confirms the first-class work of the employees and results from the innovations and optimizations of the last years.” The “Best Cargo Airport” award is the second prize for the cargo company in this year already. In the beginning of April DUS Cargo Logistics was honored in Istanbul by its customer of many years' standing, Pegasus Airlines, for its outstanding service.

The awards show once more that the airport of Düsseldorf is a first-class location for air cargo. Thomas Schnalke, managing director at Flughafen Düsseldorf GmbH and responsible for the cargo subsidiary company: “Being in the heart of Europe and at the same time in Germany's most populous federal state, our airport offers the best basic conditions: the vicinity to the customers as well as an optimal linking to the network of highways.” More than 100,000 German and international companies are based here. 18 million people live within a radius of 100 kilometers, that is, the catchment area of Düsseldorf International – comparable to the structure of the metropolitan areas of London and Paris. In addition, the Rhine-Ruhr region is Europe's third most powerful economic area. A further advantage: the direct vicinity to the Benelux countries with their numerous distribution centers. “The first-class services of the Cargo center link these potentials with economic regions all over the world,” says Schnalke.



Gerton Hulsman, managing director cargo division