

## Corporate News

### **DACHSER expands warehouse capacity in the Karlsruhe region**

#### **27,800 square meters of new warehouse space in planning**

**Kempton, April 17, 2024 – The DACHSER logistics center in Karlsruhe has acquired about 27,800 square meters of warehouse facilities in Rastatt. The new storage is to be built by early 2025 in a strategically favorable location at the Rastatt North freeway junction and in the immediate neighborhood of the Rhine ports in Karlsruhe. DACHSER is thus increasing its warehousing capacity in the Middle Upper Rhine logistics region by around 42,000 pallet spaces.**

The lease agreement was signed by DACHSER even before construction began. Thus, DACHSER is expanding the capacity of its logistics center Malsch nearby Karlsruhe. The building permit was recently granted, so the handover to DACHSER is scheduled for the second quarter of 2025. The early conclusion means that the built-to-suit property, which is being planned and realized by DFI Real Estate, can be optimally adapted to the company's needs. The logistics center will offer 23,300 square meters of warehouse space, 3,150 square meters of mezzanine storage and 1,350 square meters of office and social space for 40 to 50 employees.

#### **Attractive location**

"With the new logistics center, we were not only able to obtain a location with good transport connections, but also create a sustainable warehouse that satisfies the requirements of customers from a wide range of industries," explains Florian Steinbrunn, Contract Logistics Manager of the DACHSER Logistics Center Karlsruhe in Malsch. The location placed directly at the Rastatt North freeway exit at the A5/A8 junction offers optimal connections to the European land transport network as well as the economic center of Karlsruhe, including its Rhine ports, which is only 23 kilometers away. Future DACHSER employees can easily reach their new

workplace via public transportation from Rastatt train station. In addition, 75 parking spaces will be built on the site.

## **Focus on sustainability and safety**

The new building fulfils high standards of sustainability and digitalization. Highly efficient heat pump technology in conjunction with underfloor heating for the hall floor ensure fossil-free operation of the heating system. The electricity required is mainly provided by a photovoltaic system on the roof with an output of approx. 1,200 kWp. In addition, part of the roof and ten percent of the frontage will be greened and a charging infrastructure for electric vehicles will be installed. As the property is being built on a brownfield site, no new surface area needs to be sealed for construction. For the site, the sustainability certificate DGNB in gold in accordance with the 2023 requirements is strived. The new logistics building thus contributes to DACHSER's sustainability strategy and supports the Karlsruhe logistics center as an e-mobility location, where DACHSER focuses on testing climate-friendly technologies for the entire network.

Additional structural measures, such as the division into several fire compartments and a WGK foil under the floor, provide additional flexibility and safety. Furthermore, a sophisticated fire extinguishing system concept enables the storage of lithium-ion batteries such as PV storage modules for solar systems or cell modules for the automotive industry. "We couldn't have found a better partner for our project in Rastatt than DACHSER - one of Germany's leading and most reliable logistics service providers," says Andreas Fleischer, Managing Partner of DFI Real Estate, enthusiastically. "Together, we have designed a sophisticated and well planned logistics building in every respect."

**Pic 1:** A model of the newly planned warehouse in Rastatt. Picture: DFI Real Estate

**Pic 2:** From left to right: Florian Steinbrunn (Contract Logistics Manager), Andreas Fleischer (Managing Director DFI), Bernd Großmann (General Manager DACHSER Logistics Center Karlsruhe) and Reinhard Hahn (Second Managing Director DFI) after signing the contracts. Picture: DACHSER

## **About Dachser:**

Dachser, a family-owned company headquartered in Kempten, Germany, provides transport logistics, warehousing, and customized services in two business fields: Dachser Air & Sea Logistics and Dachser Road Logistics. The latter consists of two business lines: Dachser European Logistics and Dachser Food Logistics. Comprehensive contract logistics services and industry-specific solutions round out the company's range. A seamless shipping network—both in Europe and overseas—and fully integrated IT systems ensure intelligent logistics solutions worldwide.

Thanks to some 34,000 employees at 382 locations all over the globe, Dachser generated consolidated net revenue of approximately EUR 7.1 billion in 2023. The same year, the logistics provider handled a total of 77.4 million shipments weighing 40.0 million metric tons. Country organizations represent Dachser in 43 countries. For more information about Dachser, please visit [dachser.com](https://www.dachser.com)

## **Medienkontakt DACHSER:**

Carina Jungchen-Wenzlick  
Consultant for Corporate Public Relations

DACHSER SE  
Thomas-DACHSER-Straße 2  
87439 Kempten

Phone: +49 831 5916-1423

Fax: +49 831 5916 81423

carina.jungchen-  
wenzlick@DACHSER.com  
DACHSER.de