+ Panalpina Distribution Hub

Dubai, UAE



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Panalpina opens a new logistics manufacturing hub in Dubai South. In the presence of His Highness Sheikh Ahmed bin Saeed Al Maktoum, the facility will support circular supply chains and enable Panalpina to grow its logistics and freight forwarding business in the Middle East, Africa and the CIS (MEAC) region.

Overview

The 40,000 sq m facility, supports circular supply chains and will enable Panalpina to grow its logistics and freight forwarding business in the Middle East, Africa and CIS (MEAC) region. Three times bigger than the previous facility and with state-of-the-art infrastructure, it offers plenty of room to further grow with both existing and new customers.

The site is located in Dubai Logistics City and forms part of the bonded logistics corridor that links the adjacent Al Maktoum International Airport and nearby Jebel Ali Port. Most of the operational space is used for inbound to manufacturing (I2M) and vendor managed inventory (VMI) services in support of Logistics Manufacturing Services (LMS) and also for outbound distribution services. There are separate areas for the break-down or build-up of air freight, for the safe intermediary storage of valuable goods, and for other special activities. The gross internal areas (GIAs) of the three warehouses measure in at 16,900 sq m for Warehouse A, 10,200 sq m for Warehouse B and 10,200 sq m for Warehouse C. With 2,900 sq m of office space, the total GIA measures in at 42,000 sq m.

Goods are kept and handled in clean and fully air-conditioned chambers where the room climate is monitored and controlled around the clock. In a separate repair room, equipped with antistatic flooring and special lighting, specialists grade used mobile phones, tablets and laptops before they are reintroduced into the supply chain, recycled or discarded. Specialists also refurbish game consoles, which involves diagnostics, repair and testing. In the LMS area, also equipped with special lighting and electrical supply points, Panalpina engineers and technicians pick semi-knocked down units, configure, assemble and test them with the latest software uploaded.