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DHL Express Finland inaugurates its new Gateway at Helsinki-Vantaa Airport

- Strategic investment of €100 million: largest in DHL Express Finland history
- 16,000 m²: Designed to meet the needs of future supply chains
- Up to 6,500 shipments per hour
- Carbon neutrality: Supporting the goal of zero emissions by 2050

Helsinki, September 3, 2025 – Today, DHL Express Finland inaugurated its new logistics gateway at Helsinki-Vantaa Airport (HEL). This cutting-edge facility boasts direct access to the apron of Helsinki-Vantaa Airport, enabling shorter aircraft loading and offloading times. Equipped with an automated sorting system capable of processing 6,500 parcels per hour and featuring 90 direct loading bays with electric vehicle charging, the gateway exemplifies efficiency and innovation. Committed to sustainability, the facility will be carbon-neutral, utilizing geothermal heating, solar panels, and energy-efficient technologies, alongside robust security measures including TAPA A certification and advanced X-ray scanning equipment for air freight handling. The new gateway represents the largest investment in DHL Express's history in Finland—totaling approximately €100 million in new facilities and technology in the Aviapolis area. It will handle international, European, national, and local parcels transported via air or road, ranging from urgent to less urgent deliveries. The first customer deliveries from the facility are set to begin in October 2025.

"The new gateway is designed to meet the needs of Finnish business. It enables more efficient and environmentally friendly operations and provides our staff with modern and comfortable facilities. This investment supports growth and helps Finnish companies reach international markets," **says**Oktay Nuri, Managing Director at DHL Express Finland.

"This gateway is a major step in DHL's mission: Connecting people, improving lives. Our DHL Trade Atlas 2025 research shows that global trade continues to grow, even as geopolitical tensions may lead to changes in trading relationships, transport flows and the regulatory environment. By investing in infrastructure, DHL Express is preparing to meet this growth by offering services that meet diverse customer needs – from the fastest options to more flexible ones. The investment in Finland reflects our confidence in the country's and Europe's economy," says Mike Parra, CEO at DHL Express Europe.

Up to 6,500 Parcels Processed Per Hour

The modern facility spans approximately 16,000 gross square meters—more than doubling the current operational area. The new terminal features an advanced automated sorting system capable of processing around 6,500 packages per hour, alongside 90 direct loading bays that facilitate seamless sorting from conveyor systems to delivery vehicles, all equipped with electric

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vehicle charging points. This state-of-the-art environment not only enhances operational efficiency but also prioritizes the well-being of staff, offering a spacious and functional workspace with a focus on safety, environmental considerations, and quality amenities.

Construction Aimed at Zero Emissions by 2050

In line with DHL's sustainability targets, the Helsinki Gateway will be carbon neutral. The primary heating system will be geothermal, with electricity generated via solar energy. Advanced building automation, energy-efficient construction materials, handling devices, and LED lighting are all part of the energy efficiency strategy.

For 43 years, DHL Express has supported Finnish businesses with international door-to-door express deliveries. The new logistics hub further strengthens this role, offering even more efficient connections for Finnish companies and consumers to the global market. Fast and reliable deliveries are a key part of Finland's economic competitiveness.

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With sustainable business practices and a commitment to society and the environment, the Group makes a positive contribution to the world. DHL Group aims to achieve net-zero emissions logistics by 2050.