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## **New VAN HEES central logistics center in Idstein, Germany**

VAN HEES GmbH has been extending its logistics with a new central logistical services center in Idstein together with ERNST SCHMITZ Logistik GmbH.

“We have been implementing extensive expansion plans on product development and production facilities in Walluf, Wuppertal and Forbach (F), and this prompted us to opt for a gradual relocation of our logistics efforts a few years ago,” said Jürgen Georg Hüniken, Chairman Chairman of the Managementboard at VAN HEES, a long-established company based in Walluf, Germany.

The three lady owner-directors of VAN HEES initiated an extensive “Next Generation” program earlier this year, a program that would include focusing on core competencies as well as revamping production facilities financed by healthy corporate growth.

In view of positive business development outgrowing the space available for expanding on current facilities in recent years as well as excellent experience with ERNST SCHMITZ GmbH as a logistics contractor, there was one way to go – a new jointly run logistics center.

The VAN HEES logistic center in Idstein has more than 8,000 square meters of floor space providing a capacity of 12,500 pallet spaces. The center has around thirty employees moving around forty tons of products in up to 450 daily shipments, currently utilising around 50% of the capacity available.

The warehouse is certified to DIN EN ISO 9001:2008 and processes are based on the criteria of IFS (International Featured Standard for Food).

The logistics center has four on-site loading bays a stone’s throw from the A3 motorway at its location in Idstein, a convenient location offering excellent access for hauliers heading northbound and southbound; the center’s proximity to Walluf played as much of a role in the decision for VAN HEES.

# Press Release

## **About VAN HEES:**

VAN HEES has been manufacturing high-quality additives, seasonings and blends, flavourings and convenience products for meat processing and finishing for more than sixty-five years – products appreciated by small crafts and large industry alike.

Kurt van Hees saw the benefits of food phosphates in meat processing back in the 1940s. A pioneer in this field, Kurt van Hees founded VAN HEES GmbH in 1947 and developed many major names in patented food additives; the company has since specialised in innovative products and new technologies.

The medium-sized family business now employs more than four hundred people, and markets its products and solutions to customers in Germany and across the world.

You will find VAN HEES products sold in more than eighty countries, and the company shares its expertise in advanced meat processing in training programs and seminars for customers across the globe. The VAN HEES corporate philosophy is centered on customer orientation, flexibility and reliability combined with innovation and responsibility in everything the company does. VAN HEES - We know how.

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