

Press Release

CEVA Logistics strengthens warehouse automation in Netherlands with Exotec Skypod robots

- *CEVA adds 57 robots to two sites in Venray, Netherlands*
- *Exotec® automation delivers solution for seasonality, volume fluctuations*
- *Low energy demands contribute to site sustainability goals*

MARSEILLE, France – June 11, 2023 – CEVA Logistics is expanding warehouse automation in its two warehouses in Venray, Netherlands, thanks to the Skypod® System from Exotec, a France-based warehouse robotics specialist. The flexible goods-to-person order picking solution will enhance facility efficiency, and during peak seasons, CEVA expects to handle three times the volumes than before.

The two facilities join an existing Exotec Skypod installation at CEVA's facility in Roosendaal. 57 Skypod robots are being deployed at the Venray facilities to add warehouse automation for CEVA's customers, ultimately increasing both warehouse capacity and flexibility to bridge peak periods.

With the Skypod order picking system, floor-traveling robots are able to also climb up to 12 meters in height through the racking system. The fully scalable solution makes it easy to add robots, pick stations or totes, allowing CEVA to respond quickly to both changing market conditions and the growth of its customers by increasing or decreasing the storage volume of the warehouses.

In addition to the efficiency and capacity benefits, sustainability is an important part of CEVA's business strategy. The Skypod system's low energy consumption contributes to the company's sustainability targets. The CEVA warehouses in Venray operate entirely on solar energy, providing an energy-neutral use for the solution. The Venray and Roosendaal sites contribute to CEVA's energy-positive operations in the Benelux region, as the company produces more energy there than it consumes.

Jaco Kneteman, Head of contract logistics Benelux at CEVA Logistics said: *"At CEVA, our culture pushes us to search for innovative solutions to better serve our customers, and the Skypod solution offers significant value in warehouse automation. As a result of our strong commitment to Responsive Logistics, our customers have come to expect a high level of service, efficiency and agility in our operations. Implementing Exotec's solution, among others, enables us to continue creating value alongside our customers."*

Wim Vermeir, senior sales executive, Exotec: *"We are delighted with the successful cooperation with CEVA, especially now that they are also implementing the Skypod System in their two warehouses in Venray. With the Skypod System, we are able to take our customers' services to the next level. Our scalable warehouse solutions ensure that CEVA and its customers can effortlessly expand to more storage capacity. A major logistics*



provider like CEVA gives us valuable input from its practice with external logistics parties that we can use to further improve our services.”

About CEVA Logistics

CEVA Logistics, a world leader in third-party logistics, provides global supply chain solutions to connect people, products and providers all around the world. Headquartered in Marseille, France, CEVA Logistics offers a broad range of end-to-end, customized solutions in contract logistics and air, ocean, ground and finished vehicle transport in 170 countries worldwide thanks to its approximately 110,000 employees at more than 1,300 facilities. With pro forma 2022 revenue of US\$18.7 billion, CEVA Logistics is part of the CMA CGM Group, a global player in sea, land, air and logistics solutions.

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