

# **PRESS RELEASE**

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# Bleckmann announces new distribution center in Crick, UK

Bleckmann, a logistics expert specializing in supply chain management for fashion and lifestyle brands, is proud to announce that we are adding a new site Crick - at the industrial estate Dirft - to our UK presence. We are significantly expanding our operational footprint in the UK, increasing our total capacity to over 3.2 million square feet (350,000 square meters).

A key highlight of this growth is the Crick site, which adds 100,000 square meters of floorspace. What sets this facility apart is its impressive 21-meter height, providing enhanced storage and operational efficiencies. This expansion underscores our commitment to scaling our capabilities, optimizing logistics, and delivering even greater value to our clients.

Our new site offers advanced automation capabilities, including an ASRS shuttle system that enhances efficiency and storage optimization. Looking ahead, we are also preparing to implement Autostore, further strengthening our ability to provide seamless and scalable logistics solutions. Once the site reaches full capacity, it will create additional job opportunities, providing work up to 1,500 people and supporting local employment.

Reinardt van Oel, Chief Operations Officer for Belgium and the UK, stated, "The UK is an important growth market for Bleckmann. Over the last few years we have grown from serving 5 clients in just 1 warehouse to managing the operations for 60+ brands across 8 logistic centres. Expanding our operations is essential to meet the growing demands of both existing and new customers. With our automated environment, we ensure efficiency, scalability, and seamless service, reinforcing our commitment to innovation and customer satisfaction."

Giles Weir, UK Head of Tenant Representation at JLL adds "We have been delighted to assist Bleckmann with their continued growth in acquiring this high quality, statement building at Crick. Bleckmann have been one of the most active 3PLs recently and this latest addition confirms their commitment to the UK and their confidence in the market. The scale of this additional operational floorspace will go a long way in helping them reach their impressive growth targets and we've been very pleased to able to support them in achieving this."

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## **About Bleckmann**

Bleckmann is a market leader in supply chain management (SCM) services for fashion and lifestyle brands. Founded in 1862, Bleckmann evolved from a transportation company to a provider of complete supply chain solutions with specific expertise in e-fulfilment. From its strong base in Europe, the company expanded into the US and Asia, enabling Bleckmann to serve customers around the world. Its investments and extensive experience in IT solutions ensure that Bleckmann offers a unified platform to its customers worldwide. Around 6500 team members are ready to support Bleckmann's customers and fulfil their promises every day. With sales of 641 million euros (revenue 2024), Bleckmann has the scale and flexibility to provide world-class solutions for its customers. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.bleckmann.com">www.bleckmann.com</a>

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