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Kuehne+Nagel and SATS deepen strategic partnership to strengthen air logistics resilience

- New expedited delivery service for time-critical aircraft parts launched in Singapore
- Expansion of multi-modal Sea-Air solutions in Singapore and Los Angeles
- Pilot project launched at Frankfurt Airport to improve warehousing and trucking efficiency

Schindellegi / CH, June 4, 2025 – Advancing the strategic objectives of their 2023 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) focused on value chain optimisation and sustainability, Kuehne+Nagel and SATS Ltd. have introduced an expedited delivery service for urgent aircraft parts in Singapore. The two companies are also expanding their partnership to strengthen resilience and enhance efficiency in global air cargo logistics supply chains.

Time-critical shipments

SATS Ltd. and Sterling, a Kuehne+Nagel company, have launched the new solution at Singapore Changi Airport to address aircraft-on-ground (AOG) emergencies - critical situations where aircraft are grounded due to technical or mechanical issues. These disruptions can result in significant operational and financial impacts, making quick access to spare parts a high priority for the aviation industry. The new solution reduces delivery times and provides enhanced real-time shipment visibility, enabling faster return to service.

Sea-Air multi-modal services

The companies launched Sea-Air logistics in Los Angeles and Singapore hubs which offers faster connectivity, reducing transit time, costs, and carbon emissions by streamlining shipment handling directly from port to airside facilities.

Trucking & warehouse efficiency

Worldwide Flight Services (WFS), a SATS company, and Kuehne+Nagel have successfully launched a service at Frankfurt Airport to accelerate import cargo clearances. The initiative aims to optimise operational

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Further joint projects are planned at Frankfurt Airport to improve airfreight processes at the hub.

"Our partnership with SATS proved vital during the Red Sea crisis, supporting our Sea-Air solutions to mitigate disruptions to our customers' supply chains," says Yngve Ruud, EVP Air Logistics at Kuehne+Nagel. "We're excited to expand this collaboration with SATS to enhance value in supply chains through trucking, warehousing, and time-critical shipment solutions."

Concurring, Francois Mirallie, Deputy CEO Gateway Services Global, SATS Ltd., said, "This expanded collaboration with Kuehne+Nagel underscores our shared commitment to building smarter, more resilient global supply chains. By combining SATS' deep expertise in air cargo handling with Kuehne+Nagel's global logistics network, we are accelerating innovation across critical touch points. Together, we are delivering agile, customer-centric solutions that meet the evolving needs of our ecosystem partners."

The companies said they are committed to expanding their global collaboration to include solutions for the healthcare and aerospace sectors.

About Kuehne+Nagel

With more than 82,000 employees at almost 1,300 sites in close to 100 countries, the Kuehne+Nagel Group is one of the world's leading logistics providers. Headquartered in Switzerland, Kuehne+Nagel is listed in the Swiss blue-chip stock market index, the SMI. The Group is the global number one in air and sea logistics and has strong market positions in road and contract logistics. Kuehne+Nagel is the logistics partner of choice for 400,000 customers worldwide. Using its global network, logistics expertise and data-based insights, the Group provides end-to-end supply chain solutions for global companies and industries.

About SATS LTD.

Headquartered in Singapore, SATS Ltd. is one of the world's largest providers of air cargo handling services and Asia's leading airline caterer. SATS Gateway Services provides airfreight and ground handling services including passenger services, ramp and baggage handling, aviation security services, aircraft cleaning and aviation laundry. SATS Food Solutions serves airlines and institutions, and operates central kitchens with large-scale food production and distribution capabilities for a wide range of cuisines. SATS is present in the Asia-Pacific, the Americas, Europe, the Middle East and Africa, powering an interconnected world of trade, travel and taste. Following the acquisition of Worldwide Flight Services (WFS) in 2023, the combined SATS and WFS network operates over 215 stations in 27 countries. These cover trade routes responsible for more than 50% of global air cargo volume. SATS has been listed on the Singapore Exchange since May 2000.