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The Chemical Industry Association (Verband der Chemischen Industrie e.V. or VCI) has extended its purchasing alliance with Dachser for another two years. The partners have enjoyed a successful collaboration on European groupage shipments from Germany since 2009 and extended it to include Air & Sea freight transport in 2015.



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Association members, mostly medium-sized companies in the chemicals industry, benefit from standardized transportation and warehousing services for their goods consignments on pallets. A central dangerous goods team and 180 regional dangerous goods safety advisors ensure safe transport in a seamless Dachser logistics network consisting of 409 branch offices. Complementing this is a specialized industry team focused on the specific logistics needs of the chemical industry.

"As exports increase, the chemical industry in Germany is growing. In addition, production sites are now scattered across the whole globe," says Michael Kriegel, Department Head DachserChem-Logistics. "With this in mind, medium-sized companies now see the advantage of having integrated and IT-connected supply chains."

"Our longstanding partnership with Dachser has been very positive, so we're pleased to continue the cooperation," says Johann-Peter Nickel, Head of Economics, Finance and IT at VCI. "Not only does it mean our members can buy reliable and high-quality logistics services, but in Dachser they also get a partner that perfectly understands their requirements and speaks the language of the chemical industry. In the complex business world our members now find themselves in, that is of extraordinary value."

Combined industry expertise

With Dachser Chem-Logistics, Dachser has created a specialized logistics industry solution that is exactly tailored to the requirements of the chemicals industry. In doing so, the globally-positioned logistics provider took its standardized core services within the groupage network (shipping, warehousing, and IT) and combined them with specific service components for producers of chemical products. As the contact party for companies in the chemicals industry, branch offices can consult with an available centralized team of industry experts.

Dachser transports over 3.2 million hazardous goods shipments each year; locations in Europe that are specially organized to handle the storage of hazardous goods play a key role in this regard. Currently, 23 branch offices in Germany, Denmark, Austria, Hungary and Romania are evaluated based on the Safety and Quality Assessment System SQAS) questionnaire—administered by the European Chemical Industry Council (or CEFIC)—in the transport, service and/or warehousing modules.