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## **24,000 M<sup>2</sup> ART CONSERVATION CENTRE TO BE BUILT BY GSE AT PARIS-LE-BOURGET AIRPORT – FOUNDATION STONE LAID**

*On Friday 25 January, the foundation stone of the Centre de Conservation d'œuvres d'art of the Paris-Le Bourget Airport was laid in the presence of Augustin de Romanet, Chairman and CEO of Groupe ADP, Julien Da Costa Noble, CEO of André Chenue, and Robert de Marchi, GSE's Business Development Director.*

*Commissioned by Groupe ADP – as land developer, joint investor and joint operator – and André Chenue (a subsidiary of Horus Finance) as joint investor and joint operator, the building's design and construction was entrusted to GSE.*



*Eastern view of the future fine art conservation centre at Paris-Bourget Airport.*

In November 2017, Groupe ADP and André Chenue (a subsidiary of the Horus Finance group) signed a ground lease agreement (*bail à construction*) and a pre-lease agreement (*BEFA*) to build an art conservation centre at Paris-Le Bourget airport. The partners established two joint ventures: one to invest in the project and the other to operate it.

### **24,000 m<sup>2</sup> of storage space by the runways**

Located at the eastern end of the Paris-Le Bourget Airport – Europe's top business airport just 7 km from downtown Paris – the new building will be France's first to be specifically designed for the storage and conservation of works of art. Designed by GBL Architects, it will offer vast storage and conservation spaces to the highest international

standards, for art owners and professionals in the world of culture. Directly accessible from the runways, this new site will simplify the transportation of works of art by air, particularly for exchanges between museums.

The site will provide a safe haven for reserves over a total area of 24,000 m<sup>2</sup> spread over four floors. All rooms will be kept dust-free by airlock and overpressure, protected from the risk of fire by a proven hypoxic system and equipped with burglar-proof security to the highest standards. The reserves will be customisable and can be equipped to customers' specifications. They will also include facilities and services for the restoration of works of art and the conservation of high-value fashion collections.

The temperature and humidity of the rooms will be controlled and maintained at constant levels to preserve the stored works.



Western view of the future art storage and conservation centre at Paris-Le Bourget Airport. © GBL Architectes

### **Sleek, streamlined architecture**

With a garden terrace on the first floor and precast concrete panel facades, the building is designed as a modern "safe". On each floor, the storage areas will have clearances of 3.40 metres, and 5.60 metres for the ground floor rooms.

Certified to the "HQE – Très performant" standard, the entire building meets the strictest environmental criteria thanks to thermal hyper-insulation and airtightness.

### **Paris-Le Bourget, France's first site for the conservation of works of art**

With this new facility, Le Bourget Airport will become the first site in France to be natively designed for the conservation, protection and logistics of works of art for museums and large private collections. Even before its construction, the building has already been selected by major customers looking for simple museum-grade storage with excellent logistical access on the outskirts of Paris, along with pest control, management, packaging and transport services dedicated to works of art.

Handover of the first phase is scheduled for the summer of 2019.

## **ABOUT GSE**

GSE is a major player in commercial property and the leader in the "turnkey" market. GSE oversees all design, construction and/or renovation work with a commitment on price, deadlines and quality.

The company is managed by Roland Paul, CEO. It employs 410 people and generated revenues of €550 million in 2018, carrying out a total of 70 projects.

GSE is established in Europe, China and India.

## **About Groupe ADP**

Groupe ADP builds, develops and manages airports, including Paris-Charles de Gaulle, Paris-Orly and Paris-Le Bourget. In 2017, the Group handled via Paris Aéroport more than 101 million passengers and 2.2 million metric tonnes of freight and mail at Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Paris-Orly, and nearly 127 million passengers in airports abroad through its subsidiary ADP International. Boasting an exceptional geographic location and a major

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catchment area, the Group is pursuing its strategy of adapting and modernising its terminal facilities and upgrading the quality of services. The Group also intends to develop its retail and real estate businesses. In 2017, Group revenue stood at €3,617 million and net income at €571 million.

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## About André Chenue SA

André Chenue, a family company established in 1760, is the European leader in logistical and storage services for artworks. Since 1760, André Chenue's work has been carried out by men and women who are driven by the desire to deliver a service of the highest quality. With existing facilities in France, Germany, Switzerland, and Brazil, André Chenue is committed to pursuing its international growth. Building on its strong reputation and renowned service quality, André Chenue intends to become the benchmark for innovation and quality for its private and institutional customers.

André Chenue SA, a joint-stock company under French law with registered capital of €614,100. Registered office: 151 boulevard Haussmann - Paris 75008. Paris company and trade register number B 379 028 178.

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