



PRESS RELEASE

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Beychac-et-Caillau (20 km from Bordeaux)

INAUGURATION OF A NEW, 60,000 m² LOGISTICAL PLATFORM BUILT BY GSE FOR SCASO TO SUPPLY E.LECLERC STORES

After ten months of works, SCASO (Société Centrale d'Approvisionnement du Sud-Ouest) just inaugurated its new logistical platform designed to supply the E.Leclerc stores in the southwest of France. Built by GSE, this 60,000 m² platform includes a dry warehouse and a cold warehouse.



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The platform was inaugurated on Thursday, September 14, in Beychac-et-Caillau, 20 km from Bordeaux, in the presence of Philippe Garrigue, Mayor of Beychac-et-Caillau, Michel-Edouard Leclerc, CEO of E.Leclerc, Christophe Landon, Chairman of SCASO, Denis Badier, General Manager of SCASO, and Roland Paul, CEO of GSE.

An operational asset adapted to SCASO's growth

SCASO is a cooperative composed of members of E.Leclerc. Its purpose is to purchase, supply, store, prepare and dispatch goods to all E.Leclerc stores in the southwest of France. To keep pace with the growth in sales of the chain and of the E.Leclerc stores it supplies in the region, SCASO needed to reorganize logistical flows and divide them between Cestas, the SCASP's historical site, and Beychac-et-Caillau, the new barycentre of its distribution network.

For this project, GSE designed and built a platform that meets all SCASO's needs in terms of the scalability, flexibility and adaptability of the buildings, while factoring in administrative constraints.



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An eco-friendly construction site and platform that fit into the local ecosystem

GSE designed an eco-friendly logistical platform to eliminate or minimize impacts on wildlife. The site was prepared, prior to the construction work, to preserve and protect the various local species of animals and plants. The clearing was carried out with hand tools that don't affect the fauna. An ecologist monitored the entire works and temporary protections were erected at the edge of the forest to avoid accidents with animals.

GSE planted a green area 150% larger than the area destroyed in the municipalities of Beychac-et-Caillau and Vertheuil, recreated wetlands and built ponds for the amphibians of the forest habitat to offset the change in landscape linked to the platform's construction.

One 38,575 m² building is intended for the storage of dry goods. It includes a 30,000 m² closed warehouse, a 6,000 m² open outdoor area, two office sections covering 1,200 m² and 1,375 m² of technical facilities.

Another, 20,705 m² building is designed for fresh and frozen produce. It includes a 7,000 m² GEL+SAS storage area, a 12,000 m² chilled area for fresh foods, three office sections totaling 1,040 m² and 665 m² of technical premises.



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 promise on price, deadlines and quality.

The company is managed by CEO Roland Paul. It employs 360 people and generated revenues of €480 million in 2016, carrying out a total of 70 projects.

GSE operates in Europe and China. The company has a network of 12 regional offices across France, making it the country's largest Global Contractor network.

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