



## Unilode rolls out ULD digitalisation reader network at all Swissport stations

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Unilode Aviation Solutions, the global leader in outsourced Unit Load Device (ULD) management and repair solutions, and Swissport International Ltd, the world's leading provider of airport ground services and air cargo handling, have agreed to install Bluetooth® readers at all Swissport stations where Unilode's digital solution will be used by customers.

Unilode's digital transformation programme won industry-wide recognition as the recipient of the IATA Air Cargo Innovation Award last year. The solution enables to transmit data not only on the geolocation of the ULDs but can also share other relevant information such as temperature, humidity, shock and light, using ULDs equipped with Bluetooth® digital tags and a network of Bluetooth® readers and mobile devices.

Hendrik Leysens, Swissport Vice President Global Operations, Cargo, said: "Our cooperation with Unilode and the introduction of global ULD tracking at our cargo warehouses create added value for our customers and drive the digital transformation of the cargo supply chain and the industry."

Mr. Benoît Dumont, Unilode CEO, said: "This new partnership between Unilode and Swissport is instrumental in accelerating the implementation of Unilode's award-winning digital transformation programme. Unilode will digitise its entire ULD fleet of 140,000 units with digital tags and create a Bluetooth® reader network in over 250 locations worldwide within the next two years. As Swissport provides air cargo handling and airport ground services

to several Unilode ULD management customers worldwide, the installation of Bluetooth® readers in Swissport's warehouses will significantly speed up the implementation process and enable all our customers to benefit from the digital solution much sooner. We are pleased with our new agreement and look forward to cooperating with Swissport and strengthening our relationship in all ULD-related areas."



### About Unilode:

Unilode Aviation Solutions owns and manages the world's largest fleet of approximately 140,000 unit load devices (ULDs), for use in the aviation industry, and owns and operates the largest global network for the maintenance and repair of ULDs and inflight food service equipment. Unilode provides management, repair, short term leasing and digitalisation solutions to over 90 airlines through a network of more than 480 airports, 18 regional offices and 50 certified repair stations, supported by 650+ colleagues. For more information visit [www.unilode.com](http://www.unilode.com).

### About Swissport:

In 2019, Swissport International AG provided best-in-class airport ground services for some 265 million airline passengers and handled roughly 4.6 million tons of air freight in 115 cargo warehouses worldwide. Several of its warehouses have been certified for pharmaceutical logistics by IATA's CEIV. The world's leader in airport ground services and air cargo handling, with 64,000 employees, achieved consolidated operating revenue of 2.99 billion euros in 2018. At the end of December 2019, Swissport was active at 300 airports in 47 countries on six continents.

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