

**PRESS INFO**

Kuehne+Nagel Group

**Kuehne+Nagel is ready for vaccine logistics in Germany's most populous state**

- **Order from the Ministry of Labour, Health and Social Affairs for the distribution of Covid-19 vaccines**
- **Central storage in North Rhine-Westphalia and statewide delivery to 53 vaccination centres**
- **Basis in Kuehne+Nagel's global solution for pharma & healthcare logistics**

Dusseldorf / DE, December 15, 2020 – The Ministry of Labour, Health and Social Affairs of North Rhine-Westphalia has contracted Kuehne+Nagel for the logistics of Covid-19 vaccines. In coordination with the ministry in recent weeks, the logistics provider developed a comprehensive solution for storage and distribution throughout Germany's most populous state. This solution is now ready for use.

The vaccine doses will be delivered to the state's central distribution centre operated by Kuehne+Nagel, stored in temperature pods, repackaged in smaller quantities and distributed daily in a quality-assured manner to 53 vaccination centres and other healthcare facilities throughout North Rhine-Westphalia.

Karl-Josef Laumann, Minister of Labour, Health and Social Affairs of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia, says: "Vaccinating millions of people in a state as extensive as North Rhine-Westphalia is a historic task on an unprecedented scale. I am very pleased that the state has been able to secure such an experienced and competent partner for the central storage and distribution of the vaccines."

Over the past months, Kuehne+Nagel has developed a comprehensive solution for the global distribution and storage of Covid-19 vaccines. The basis for this is Kuehne+Nagel's proven, cross-transportation pharma & healthcare network with over 230 certified locations worldwide in air, sea and road logistics as well as contract logistics.

Dr. Detlef Trefzger, CEO, Kuehne + Nagel International AG, says: "Kuehne+Nagel has been preparing vaccine logistics solutions

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intensively for months. We made sure that the vaccine raw materials and auxiliary equipment such as syringes were in the right place; now we ensure that the Covid-19 vaccine is safely distributed from the factory to the end consumer, as in Germany's most populous state, North Rhine-Westphalia. We are ready to support other states and countries in their Covid-19 response as well."

**About Kuehne+Nagel**

With over 78,000 employees at 1,400 locations in over 100 countries, the Kuehne+Nagel Group is one of the world's leading logistics companies. Its strong market position lies in sea logistics, air logistics, road logistics and contract logistics, with a clear focus on integrated logistics solutions.