



New dates and location announced for FlyPharma Europe

FlyPharma Conferences are pleased to announce that FlyPharma Europe is returning as a live, in-person event in 2022. Taking place in

- **Leipzig, Germany on 19-21 September,**

FlyPharma Europe will bring together a global audience of (bio)pharma logistics professionals to discuss and debate the latest supply chain challenges and industry best practices.

Supported by our Headline Sponsor, Leipzig/Halle Airport (LEJ), the conference promises to create a dynamic and lively dialogue between all delegates. Tailored to an audience of forward-thinking pharma and cargo decision-makers, the event will be bigger and better than ever this year after an enforced break due to COVID-19. This will be the ninth FlyPharma Conference to take place since its inaugural event in 2015, and the seventh based in Europe.

FlyPharma Europe's newest location, Leipzig, was chosen for its excellent biotech and life sciences hub, BioCity Campus and BIO CITY LEIPZIG, as well as for LEJ's outstanding cargo handling centre and cargo route connections. FlyPharma Europe aims to bring together pharma, biopharma and biotech companies with air cargo and logistics services to promote open dialogue and solution-finding between these stakeholders, so Leipzig offers the perfect biopharma logistics venue to attract both sectors.

Götz Ahmelmann, CEO of Mitteldeutsche Flughafen AG, said: "We're absolutely delighted that we can welcome the participants at the FlyPharma Europe conference to Central Germany and introduce them to Leipzig/Halle Airport! It is Europe's fourth-largest air cargo hub and therefore the perfect site for handling all kinds of air freight consignments. This also applies to pharmaceutical products such as vaccines, which require an unbroken cool chain during transportation, and distributing them will be a key topic at this special conference. We've done quite a lot to make this possible: thanks to having CEIV Pharma certification and our connections with the trans-European motorway and rail networks, we can handle time- and temperature-sensitive pharmaceutical consignments promptly and they are then transported to other destinations. We're very proud of the fact that Leipzig/Halle is a central handling point for medical relief supplies and has played an important role in combatting the pandemic and safeguarding international delivery and supply chains."

Leipzig can be found within the state of Saxony, and is close to its border with Saxony-Anhalt. Both states are committed to strategic cross-border collaborations to maintain a strong position for the economic region of Central Germany, and FlyPharma Europe offers an opportunity to highlight this location as an innovative life sciences and attractive logistics hotspot. Both Saxony Trade & Invest and Investment and Marketing Corporation Saxony-Anhalt (IMG Saxony-Anhalt) will be exhibiting at the conference.

Thomas Horn, Managing Director of Saxony Trade & Invest, said: "As a partner of FlyPharma, we are very happy to be presenting both the innovative life sciences location of Saxony and the excellent logistics network for the pharmaceutical industry at Halle/Leipzig Airport to an interested expert audience. The conference constitutes an attractive platform for bringing together Saxon enterprises, as well as international experts and companies. Leipzig has a very active cluster around BIO CITY LEIPZIG and seeks to be a start-up hotspot for the industry. Therefore, the special focus through FlyPharma is an important element. It also contributes to making the economic region of Central Germany, which offers perfect conditions for investors, even more visible in the context of global site competition. We are supporting and promoting this development together with Saxony-Anhalt and Mitteldeutsche Flughafen AG."

Thomas Einsfelder, Managing Director of IMG Saxony-Anhalt, added: "We are delighted that it has been possible to bring the FlyPharma Conference to Leipzig. Our commitment to this high-level partnership suits us excellently to profile Saxony-Anhalt as an international location strong in chemistry, biotech, pharmacy and vaccine production. Above all, we are able to promote our competencies in the field of pharmaceutical distribution. Saxony-Anhalt is where new active ingredients for drugs and innovative production technologies for the medicine of the future are created. I am deeply convinced that we need strategic cross-border cooperations to further strengthen the position of the economic region of Central Germany. That is why the cooperation with the federal state of Saxony and the Mitteldeutsche Flughafen AG is so important to us. Companies like IDT Biologika and other well-known manufacturers are directly involved in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic and underline the future importance of the region and the airport for the distribution of vaccines in Europe, Africa and the Middle East."

FlyPharma Europe's Conference Director, Angela Heath, commented: "It has been a pleasure to work with Leipzig/Halle Airport, Saxony Trade & Invest and IMG Saxony-Anhalt prior to launching the conference and I am looking forward to continuing this collaboration in the run-up to the event and beyond. The opportunity to tap into their experience and ideas will result in this year's agenda being stronger than ever and I am looking forward to welcoming delegates through the conference doors in September."

In addition to the familiar elements of FlyPharma that regular attendees would expect, such as a day and a half of interactive panel discussions and presentations from expert industry speakers, an exclusive airport site tour, extensive networking opportunities and collaborative debate, this year's event will feature an extra day of activities including a walking tour of BIO CITY LEIPZIG and a Pre-Conference Welcome Reception, offering delegates the chance to meet informally before the conference itself.

The team at FlyPharma Europe 2022 are looking forward to welcoming delegates to the Conference Center Leipzig (CCL) on 19-21 September. Delegate tickets are now available, so to join your industry colleagues and learn, connect and network with the pharma supply chain's brightest minds, email Helga or Simon at sales@samedanltd.com. Visit www.FlyPharmaEurope.com to find out more about the event, or email angela@samedanltd.com with any delegate or agenda enquiries.

About Leipzig/Halle Airport:

Leipzig/Halle Airport (LEJ) is the ideal logistics platform for handling all types of air freight, including pharmaceutical products such as vaccines or perishable goods. The airport has special CEIV Pharma certification, for example, and is able to handle temperature- and time-sensitive pharmaceutical consignments round the clock. LEJ is DHL's largest hub anywhere in the world and it is the first regional air freight centre for Amazon Air in Europe. Overall, more than 80 cargo airlines fly to the airport and serve a network of routes, which encompasses more than 250 destinations around the globe.

About Saxony Trade & Invest:

Saxony Trade & Invest (WFS – Wirtschaftsförderung Sachsen GmbH) promotes the business venue Saxony and supports potential investors who want to set up their business here. In addition, the WFS assists and accompanies Saxon enterprises in their export activities. The WFS is also the most important stakeholder when it comes to expanding cross-industry cooperations. In the life sciences sector, which links the knowledge and expertise of diverse technologies and branches, a special ecosystem has evolved in Saxony. More than 300 companies and 30 research institutes with more than 15,500 employees are active here and working on innovative health solutions. The sector is backed by a superb logistics network – for example, with the largest and most modern 24/7 DHL hub as one of three global aviation hubs as well as a particularly dense infrastructure for pharmaceutical logistics with companies specializing in this branch.

About Investment and Marketing Corporation Saxony-Anhalt:

The Investment and Marketing Corporation Saxony-Anhalt (IMG) is the economic development agency of the German federal state of Saxony-Anhalt. On behalf of Saxony-Anhalt's Ministry of Economic Affairs, Tourism, Agriculture and Forestry, IMG is marketing the state internationally as a science and business location, and also as a tourism destination. The settlement of companies in the state of Saxony-Anhalt is actively supported by IMG: We act as partner for business, helping with all queries related to investment implementation within our region which include site selection, subsidy consultancy and dealing with bureaucratic matters. Our service is confidential and free of charge.

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About FlyPharma Conferences, Samedan Ltd and PMGroup Worldwide:

FlyPharma Conferences are aimed at forward-thinking individuals and businesses that are ready to uncover the potential in their pharma supply chains. The event offers an interactive platform to discuss current and future challenges within pharma and cargo, with topics including market trends, cold chain innovations, latest regulatory demands, security technology, and how to encourage collaboration between supply chain players. FlyPharma Conferences are run by specialist pharmaceutical publisher Samedan Ltd, which produces a range of market-leading magazines for senior and middle-management professionals across the global pharma and life sciences sectors. In 2021, Samedan Ltd became part of PMGroup Worldwide Ltd and Datateam Media Group. The acquisition brings together three publishing powerhouses in the pharmaceutical and healthcare sector. As well as joining forces with established titles like PME, PharmaTimes and digital products PMLIVE and pharmatimes.com, PMGroup run a number of awards programmes which recognise best practice in the pharma and healthcare sectors. The union has allowed all brands to expand their readership and their live, virtual and hybrid events and award schemes.

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