

## PRESS RELEASE

## Simon Hegele acquires shares of CST Transports in France

Karlsruhe, July 4, 2023: Simon Hegele has taken over 75 percent of the company shares in CST Transports as of June 30, 2023. The current Managing Director of the French transport company based in Gonesse in the immediate vicinity of Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport, Christophe Jacquin, will remain on the management board. In future, it will be supplemented by Anne Witz, who has been Operations Manager at Simon Hegele Healthcare Solutions France SARL since 2021 and manages the French business of the logistics service provider.

Simon Hegele and CST Transports have been working closely together on the French market for around 20 years in the field of transport and assembly of large medical equipment. With the acquisition of the shares, both companies are taking a further step in joint customer development and in the expansion of their respective customer portfolios. In addition, the expansion of the cooperation means an extension of the transport networks in France and is thus a further milestone in the internationalization strategy of the Simon Hegele Group.

"In Simon Hegele, we have found the best possible partner for a share sale. Because our longstanding relationship with Simon Hegele means that we are not only sure that our employees are in good hands. We are equally convinced that the portfolios of both companies complement each other, thus creating optimal conditions for growth on both sides," says Christophe Jacquin, pleased about the expansion of the cooperation.

For Mike Winter, Managing Partner of Simon Hegele Gesellschaft für Logistik und Service mbH, the acquisition of shares is also a milestone in customer development: "With our services in the healthcare sector, we are also a valued partner for our customers internationally. With the takeover of our reliable and specialized partner CST Transports, we can dovetail our services even more closely and expand our French business even more through the resulting synergies."

## About CST Transports

CST Transports has a company history of more than 40 years and is one of the leading companies in the organization of road freight transport and related services in France. Based in Gonesse, France, near Paris, the transport company currently employs 45 people and specializes in the transport and handling of sensitive equipment, including assembly, as well as express transport services.

## About the Simon Hegele Group

The Simon Hegele Group is one of the most innovative service providers along complex supply chain processes. The principles of "more than just logistics" and "we make healthcare work" have been the driving force for the further development of the group and its services for many years. Simon Hegele offers customers from the healthcare, pharmaceutical, industry and retail sectors at over 50 locations worldwide highly specialized value-added services tailored to the respective customer processes and supports them in focusing on their respective core competencies.

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