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Argo AI to test autonomous driving at Munich Airport

LabCampus gains world-leading technology company as its first customer

- Test track and office space directly at Munich Airport
- Autonomous vehicles are tested under realistic conditions
- An opportunity for Bavaria as an innovation location

The LabCampus innovation center being built at Munich Airport has reached its next major milestone: Argo AI, one of the world’s leading technology companies in the autonomous driving sector, will be using the potential at and around LabCampus for testing and development of its vehicles. Established in 2016 and headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the company has partnerships with U.S. car maker Ford and the VW Group. Last year, the latter invested USD 2.6 billion in Argo AI. Since then, Munich has been the European headquarters for Argo AI.



At Argo AI’s Munich office.

Under the contractual agreement that now, with the agency and consulting services of CBRE GmbH, has been signed, Argo AI will build a test track at Munich Airport and lease space at the first LabCampus office building LAB 48, which is planned to open in 2022. The autonomously driven vehicles are to be tested under realistic conditions in various traffic situations on the test track, which will be built near the aircraft maintenance hangars in the southwestern part of the airport site.

“This deal illustrates the vast potential of the LabCampus as a think tank and test laboratory for forward-looking mobility concepts. Argo AI's commitment is therefore an important signal to all other firms that can benefit from the vast opportunities of this innovation center,” explained Jost Lammers, Chief Executive Officer of Flughafen München GmbH. Dr. Marc Wagener, Managing Director of LabCampus GmbH, added: “By providing this testing ground at Munich Airport for major players in key industries, we are boosting Bavaria’s appeal and competitiveness as a high-tech location.”

ABOUT LABCAMPUS GMBH

LabCampus GmbH was formed in March 2018 as a 100% subsidiary of Munich Airport GmbH. Its goal over the next 10 years, is to develop an unparalleled innovation center at the site of Munich Airport. This will involve bringing together global players and start-ups, creative minds and research institutes for industry-wide collaboration. In a unique campus environment, residents will be able to develop, test and present new products to the market. The guiding principle of LabCampus is cooperation, with LabCampus itself assuming an active role as catalyst. Together with a network of leading international partners, LabCampus will offer support to companies looking to improve their innovation processes and develop new business models.

ABOUT MUNICH AIRPORT GMBH (FMG)

Munich Airport is one of Europe's major aviation hubs and offers attractive flight connections to destinations all over the world. In 2020, Munich Airport was named »Best Airport in Europe« for the 13th time by the renowned London Skytrax Institute and was the first European airport to receive the »5-Star Airport« quality seal. Founded in 1949, Flughafen München GmbH (FMG) operates Munich Airport, which opened at its current location on May 17, 1992. FMG's shareholders are the Free State of Bavaria with 51 percent, the Federal Republic of Germany with 26 percent and the City of Munich with 23 percent. Throughout the Group, FMG and its 22 subsidiaries and affiliates employ around 10,000 people.

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