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# Press conference transport logistic, Munich

Rhenus (stand B6.201/302)

# Quote

Markus Sandbrink, CIO Rhenus

"We believe that several of the challenges in digitalising logistics are best tackled together. The development of the eCMR has the potential to show how the entire industry can benefit when we work collaboratively. Of course, Rhenus could have solved the task technically on its own, but only as a group were we able to create a legally and organisationally accepted solution. Our commitment to open source as members of the Open Logistics Foundation is not an end in itself. Open source is about creating added value by enabling widespread adoption. Digitalisation and improved interoperability lead to cost savings, quality improvements, and greater efficiency. This was demonstrated in tests with the eCMR solution, for example with our partners Dachser and Blue Yonder. At Rhenus, we estimate internal cost savings of around one euro per document, depending on the use case. Processes become more transparent and less prone to error – from the initial stages through to payment processing."

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#### **About Rhenus**

The Rhenus Group is one of the leading logistics specialists with global business operations and annual turnover amounting to EUR 8.2 billion. 41,000 employees work at 1,330 business sites in more than 70 countries and develop innovative solutions along the complete supply chain. Whether providing transport, warehousing, customs clearance or value-added services, the family-owned business pools its operations in various business units where the needs of customers are the major focus at all times.

## **Dachser (stand B6.101/202)**

#### Quote

Stefan Hohm, CDO Dachser

"The new eCMR standard shows that open source simplifies entry into digitalisation and drives standardisation of commodities across digital value chains," explains Stefan Hohm of Dachser. "Time savings of up to 60 percent were achieved through the use of the eCMR software, according to tests with our IT partner Markant. This means significant relief for everyone involved in the transport chain – from drivers to dispatchers to recipients of the goods. More than 25 logistics service providers, transport platforms, and logistics and IT service providers – many of them competitors, some with existing individual eCMR solutions – have worked together on the new eCMR standard. The software benefits from considering many different perspectives. Our successful pilot applications with our partner Markant have also shown that we have a great opportunity to digitalise many more transport

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documents and information. The developments and organisational decisions related to the eCMR provide an ideal starting point."

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#### **About Dachser**

Dachser, a family-owned company headquartered in Kempten, Germany, provides transport logistics, warehousing, and customized services in two business fields: Dachser Air & Sea Logistics and Dachser Road Logistics. The latter consists of two business lines: Dachser European Logistics and Dachser Food Logistics. Comprehensive contract logistics services and industry-specific solutions round out the company's range. A seamless shipping network—both in Europe and overseas—and fully integrated IT systems ensure intelligent logistics solutions worldwide. Thanks to some 37,300 employees at 433 locations all over the globe, Dachser generated consolidated net revenue of approximately EUR 8 billion in 2024. The same year, the logistics provider handled a total of 83.2 million shipments with a tonnage of 44.1 million metric tons. Country organizations represent Dachser in 43 countries. For more information about Dachser, please visit dachser.com

# Blue Yonder (stand B1.614)

# Quote

Robert Recknagel, Head of Operations, Blue Yonder

"Our membership with the OLF offers a unique opportunity for us to collaborate and innovate on some of the key industry challenges," said Robert Recknagel, head of operations, Blue Yonder. "By combining all of our knowledge and technological expertise, we can work together to drive meaningful innovation. We are proud to contribute to the development of the new eCMR project, which will help to increase efficiency and reduce stress in the supply chain, ultimately improving accuracy, efficiency, and customer experiences. This is a win for all involved in the logistics sector and strong proof of the power of the OLF community."

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#### **About Blue Yonder**

Blue Yonder is the world leader in end-to-end digital supply chain transformation. With a unified, Aldriven platform and multi-tier network, Blue Yonder empowers businesses to operate sustainably, scale profitably, and delight their customers — all at machine speed. A pioneer in applying Al solutions to the most complicated supply chain challenges, Blue Yonder's modern innovations and unmatched industry expertise help more than 3,000 retailers, manufacturers, and logistics service providers confidently navigate supply chain complexity and disruption.

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#### Markant

## Quote

Reiner Sailer, Lead Service Owner SupplyChainServices, Markant

"Our vision is to automate information logistics end-to-end along the supply chain. Standardised data exchange formats are essential for this, both to ensure interoperability and to drastically reduce data exchange costs. We regard freight documents as commodity data. We ensure that this information is available to all parties involved."

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#### **About Markant**

The Markant Group is Europe's digital service centre for big data and software solutions in the areas of B2B payment and EDI services as well as GDSN master data along the entire supply chain. In total, more than 15,000 suppliers and around 200 wholesalers and retailers from the food and non-food sectors rely on Markant's innovative and future-orientated services.