

UPIM and VAILOG inaugurate new state-of-the-art distribution center in Piacenza (54,000 m²)



June 3 2009 – UPIM, one Italy's largest retailers, inaugurated its new central distribution center in Piacenza, Italy. The building was successfully developed by Vailog within its new Piacenza Logistics Park, which will total 110,000 m² of distribution space at completion.

Deka Immobilien GmbH from Germany is the owner of the property and Vailog's financial partner in the transaction. Jones Lang LaSalle acted as real estate advisor on behalf of Deka.

UPIM's new distribution center has a total storage area of 54,000 m² and benefits from the highest characteristics for modern distribution: 12.40m clear height, rail connection (5 spurs), 83 dock doors, ESFR sprinkler, etc. Inside the warehouse, UPIM installed a state-of-the-art 300m long sorter, able to handle over 11,000 items per hour.

Moreover, the building is equipped with Italy's largest solar panel system on a single industrial roof: the 2.8 MW crystalline rooftop system will reduce CO₂ emissions by 1,600 tons annually.

In this distribution platform, UPIM will employ more than 250 persons. The new job creations have a noticeable impact on the local community, represented at the inauguration by the mayor and the provincial vice-chairman.



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