**TGW Manufactures China’s Largest Shuttle System for Skechers**

* One of the most highly automated intralogistics systems in China
* Central delivery platform for B2C and B2B
* More than twelve kilometers of energy-efficient KingDrive® technology
* 144 fully automated Stingray shuttles

**Skechers, one of the world's largest brands, is extremely active in the segment of athletic, lifestyle, and performance footwear. Founded in 1992, California-based Skechers is charting a quick-paced growth course in the Chinese market. Therefore, TGW has recently been commissioned to build a highly automated logistics center for Skechers. Go-live is scheduled for April 2020.**

Skechers currently relies on its network of three distribution centers to serve the Chinese market. With a planned annual growth rate of 20 percent and due to changing market conditions, Skechers is now aligning and streamlining its logistics processes in order to meet future market demands. Currently, a new distribution center is being built in Taicang, Jiangsu province, which will cover both the B2B and B2C channels. This will allow for a reduction in logistics as well as process costs.

**An Energy-Efficient Shuttle Warehouse**

The shuttle warehouse will be used as a goods-out buffer for dispatch and contains 144 fully automated Stingray shuttles. Intelligent energy management will ensure that braking energy is recovered and fed back into the system. Additionally, TGW also provide monitoring and a warehouse control system (WCS) for the shuttle system with an interface to the TGW conveyor system consisting of twelve kilometers of energy-efficient KingDrive® technology as well as four high-performance Natrix sorters. The TGW conveyor system connects the individual areas, starting in the reserve storage area, going through the sorting and picking area and finally ending in the shipping zone.

**One of** **the Largest Orders in the History of TGW China**

For TGW China, the Skechers project is one of the largest orders in the company's short history and another milestone in the economic development of this TGW unit. A sizable portion of the total value added chain will be covered by TGW, from locally manufactured mechatronic components including roller conveyors, to software and shuttles.

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**About TGW Logistics Group:**

TGW Logistics Group is a worldwide leading provider of intralogistics solutions. For almost 50 years, this Austrian specialist has been providing automated systems for its international customers – from A as in Adidas to Z as in Zalando. As a systems integrator, TGW provides planning, production, and realization of complex logistics centers – from mechatronics and robotics to systems control and software.

With approximately 3,300 employees, TGW Logistics Group has offices in Europe, China, and in the U.S.A. In the 2018/2018 business year, the company achieved a total turnover of 713 million euros.

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