

Internationalization of logistics consulting

EPG Consulting acquires Dutch supply chain consultancy Groenewout

Consulting, engineering and optimization of logistics networks: with the acquisition of a majority stake in Dutch supply chain consultancy Groenewout, EPG Consulting is strengthening its consulting business in Europe and worldwide. Groenewout has more than 55 years of experience in its consulting services, especially in the area of (re-)design and optimization of logistics networks, realization and implementation of (mechanized) warehouse operations. The common goal is to expand the Benelux and international customer business and to strengthen the position of the company as an independent holistic supply chain consultancy.

Both companies will benefit from strong synergies and complementary service offerings. After the acquisition, the two companies are together one of the leading independent supply chain and logistics consultancies and leaders in terms of experience and realized projects. The location in Breda, the Netherlands, will be the starting point for the further expansion of the joint activities. The management team consists of Alain Beerens (Director Groenewout) and Marcel Wilhelms (Director and Managing Director EPG Consulting). Groenewout will operate in the market as a member of EPG.

Supply chain consulting for the European market

Groenewout was founded in 1966 and is today one of the best-known logistics and supply chain consulting specialists in Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg. The company designs supply chain and logistics solutions for its international customers and has in-depth expertise in construction management & engineering (CM&E).

"Groenewout combines their expertise in supply chain, logistics and CM&E into a great overall package, perfectly complementing our service offering," says Marcel Wilhelms, Managing Director of EPG Consulting. "We are observing an increased demand for holistic planning and realization, especially with regard to automation solutions. In addition, it is becoming increasingly important to plan logistics real estate precisely according to customer needs and the logistics solution it entails. Groenewout also has an excellent network on the European and international market. We see great potential for development and can also open up new consulting segments for us – for example in the area of transport management consulting." In line with the new TMS Consulting business area,

EPG Consulting has the right solution in Greenplan for a holistic consulting and optimization project, including the implementation of the solution.”

According to Alain Beerens, Director Groenewout; “Groenewout has over the past 55 years built a successful logistics and supply chain consultancy. We are well positioned to further develop our full potential as part of EPG Consulting and to provide an even better service offering to all our customers.”

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1. EPG Consulting and Groenewout are now looking to the future together and want to continue to push the European and international market in the area of supply chain consulting.
2. from left to right: Marco Ehrhardt, President of EPG, Alain Beerens, Director Groenewout and Marcel Wilhelms, Managing Director EPG Consulting.

EPG Consulting

EPG Consulting is the independent logistics consultancy of Ehrhardt Partner Group (EPG). As an independent partner, the company has been supporting the planning and realization of holistic intralogistics and supply chain projects since 2005. The focus is always on handling projects in a spirit of partnership and on sustainable and future-proof solutions for logistics. With the Consulting Suite, for example, the company has the first online optimization platform for logistics, which allows customers to independently implement optimizations in their existing logistics and warehouse processes via a web application. In addition, EPG Consulting can also always draw on EPG's portfolio with its EPG ONE™ Supply Chain Execution, thus offering customers a complete solution for their logistics.

EPG Ehrhardt Partner Group

EPG is a leading international provider of a comprehensive Supply Chain Execution Suite (EPG ONE™) and employs 900 people in 22 locations across the globe. The group of companies offers its more than 1,600 customers WMS, WCS, WFM, TMS and voice solutions for optimizing logistics processes – from manual to fully automated logistics environments. EPG's solutions cover the entire supply chain: from warehouse and road to ground and cargo handling solutions at airports. Logistics consulting, cloud services, managed services and logistics training in the company's own academy round off EPG's comprehensive range of solutions.

Groenewout

Founded in 1966, Groenewout provides professional consulting in logistics and supply chains management. Groenewout's core competence has been sharpened in supply chains optimization and detailed designs of manufacturing-, distribution- and fulfillment centers. Groenewout places a great deal of emphasis on both the identification and realization of feasible opportunities and is specialized in the integration of business and operational processes for enhancing supply chains performance, logistics cost reductions and service improvements.

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