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*Paullo, Lombardy Region*

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## **GSE STRENGTHENS ITS PRESENCE IN ITALY WITH A LOGISTICS PLATFORM PROJECT NEAR MILAN**

Prologis Italy chose GSE Italy to design and build a new logistics platform in Paullo, 10 km east of Milan. GSE Italy is the Italian subsidiary of the GSE group, a leader of turnkey commercial real estate for over 40 years. The platform will be operated by logistics provider Number 1.



### **A 22,000 m<sup>2</sup> high-performance logistics platform**

This next-gen logistics platform, with a surface area of approximately 22,000 m<sup>2</sup>, is designed for handling & storage activities. The structure will include 635 m<sup>2</sup> of office and service space and a 1,055 m<sup>2</sup> mezzanine for warehousing operations.

GSE won the contract to build the platform in a call for tenders with demanding specifications issued by global logistics real estate leader Prologis, which provides clients with tailor-made buildings adapted to their specific needs. The building's user will be Number 1, a leading operator specialising in integrated logistics services for the grocery sector (€290 million in annual revenues, 3,600 employees). Thanks to this new platform, Number 1 is doubling its footprint in Paullo, where they already operate a hub in the direct vicinity of the new project.

The platform will have 35 loading docks, 18 parking spaces for employees and visitors, and 29 parking spaces for trucks. The industrial floor will have a load-bearing strength of 5 tonnes per m<sup>2</sup> and the building will be fully lit by LEDs activated by motion and light sensors. The semi-flat roof will be covered with a TPO waterproofing membrane and will have a U-value of 0.22 W/m<sup>2</sup> K. The façades will be made of sandwich panels with a U-value of less than 0.30 W/m<sup>2</sup> K. This energy efficiency will minimise power consumption and enable the entire building to obtain the LEED Silver certificate. Construction of the building began in mid-November 2019 and handover is scheduled for August 2020\*.

### **A strategic location in the Milan metropolitan area – in the heart of northern Italy**

The new logistics platform is located in Paullo, about 10 km from Milan. The site is in a strategic hub, being connected to the main national motorways via the Milan outer ring road (TEEM) and the Milan-Brescia motorway (BreBeMi), two key transport infrastructures in the Milan metropolitan area – and more generally the northern Italy economic powerhouse.



*"Thanks to this major contract, we strengthened our presence at the heart of a highly industrialised region, which is therefore of strategic interest for our development. It's also a new step in our long-standing relationship with Prologis, a major client for whom we have built more than 225,000 m<sup>2</sup> of logistics facilities in Italy over the past 20 years," said Valentino CHIARPARIN, GSE Italy Country Manager.*

*\* Work was suspended due to the coronavirus pandemic but resumed on 4 May in full compliance with the rules of safety.*

## **ABOUT GSE**

Founded in 1976, GSE has become the Global Contractor of choice for the comprehensive management of construction projects – encompassing everything from the financial package, land search and qualification, technical studies and design & build to after-sales service – with contractual commitments on price, deadlines and quality.

The GSE group currently employs 450 people in eight countries in Europe and China. It builds industrial, logistics, services, retail and leisure facilities – generating revenues of approximately €554 million in 2019.

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