

# Liege Airport in a nutshell

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1<sup>st</sup> Belgium cargo airport



5<sup>th</sup> European cargo airport 20<sup>th</sup> In worldwide ranking



Carbon zero in 2028



WHO/WFP hub



100

millions euros turnover Group Liege Airport



75% public / Region 25% ADP



10.115

Direct and indirect jobs

143

Companies on site



1.412.000

tonnes freight (2021)

200.000

passengers



20.000 m<sup>2</sup> offices 200.000 m<sup>2</sup>

warehouses

H24 &

39,000 flights

of a/c > 34 tons (2021)

## Renewal of our operating permit

- Operating permit of the airport to be renewed every 20 years
- Today: H24 & no operating restrictions
- New permit issued on August 26, 2022:
  - Introduction of a cap: maximum 50,000 flights per year
  - Introduction of a QC Global at night (23h00 06h00):
    - Reduction of 5% per year for the 10 first years
    - Reduction of 3% per year for the 10 following years
    - Means a very rapid ban of night flights
- Appel lodged by the Airport and decision being taken by the authorities (Walloon government) by end of January 2023 at the latest

## Impact of the new permit

- A killer for a full cargo airport requiring flexibility
- Does not provide an operating environment acceptable for:
  - Express courier operators
  - Full cargo airlines
- Does not enable to deliver our Business Plan 2020-2040 aiming to reach 70,000 flights
- Massive jobs losses estimated at 5,000
- Put the airport in an unsustainable financial situation

## Specific measures taken by the airport

- One of the "best in class" noise protection program in the world
- Very severe Walloon environmental regulations to be followed
- Certified level 3 ACA
- Aeronautical charges adapted on 01/01/2023 to financially incentivize day flights and quietest aircraft
- CEM / CDO, PRS, provisioning of SAF, ...
- Ambitious environmental master plan with 6 pillars: Co2, water, soil, mobility, air & noise

# The airport's long term "noise" development plan / area ("PDLT")

• Environmental policy managed by an independent public company (Sowaer)



- Concentration of aircraft trajectories to minimize the number of inhabitants being impacted by the airport activities
- Based upon a maximum limit to airport development embedded in a Walloon "law", being a maximum of 175,000 flights per year (480 per 24h)
- "PDLT" is the maximum geographical area potentially impacted by the noise originating from airport activities and the precise area is defined in a Walloon "law"
- Total of 24,379 housings (apartment, house, buildings) concerned in that area
- Preventive provisions for the development of the territory (no new housing construction in area A, mandatory provisions in notarial deed for buy & sales, mandatory soundproofing for new construction...)



# The **Noise** Exposure Plan (« PEB »)

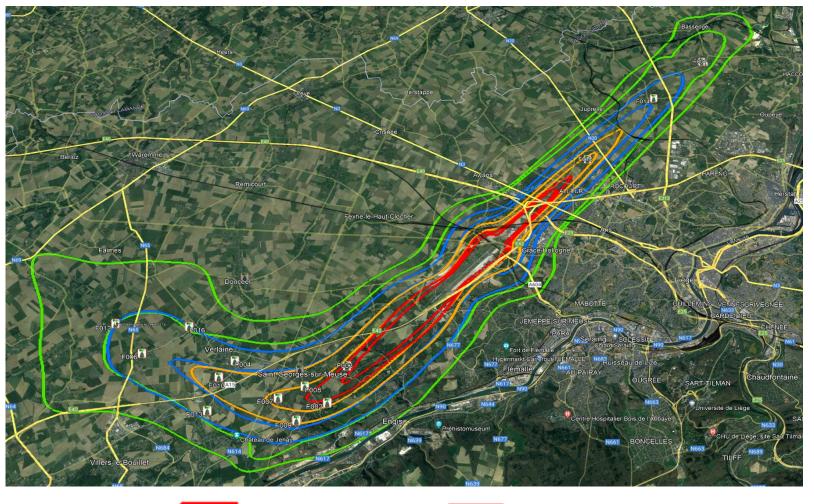
- Revised every 3 years based upon the current airport activity (the last available year) and a 10 years' projection
- Use of the Bradley methodology ("determining acceptable limits for aviation noise") and the "Lden" rule (EU Directive 2002/49/CE)
- Noise monitoring with 16 sonometers
- "PEB" is divided in 4 areas (A, B, C & D)

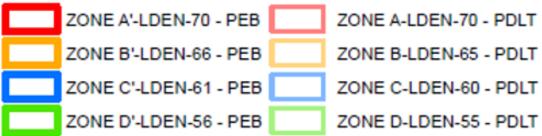


- The real noise is areas A, B, C, D is lower than Lden 70/66/61/56 as this classification is based on a 10 year projection further to the airport growth
- Total of 16,610 housings in the current plan
- The "PEB" area can not exceed the "PDLT" area



## "PEB" & "PDLT"







## Solutions for citizens in « PEB » areas

#### Area's solution:

#### A' and B':

- Buy housings or soundproofing
- Moving premiums for tenants
- Specific allowances for traders and liberal professions

C': Soundproofing

D': Soundproofing aid

- Noise monitoring with 16 sonometers and live noise measures
- Full transparency for inhabitants via website

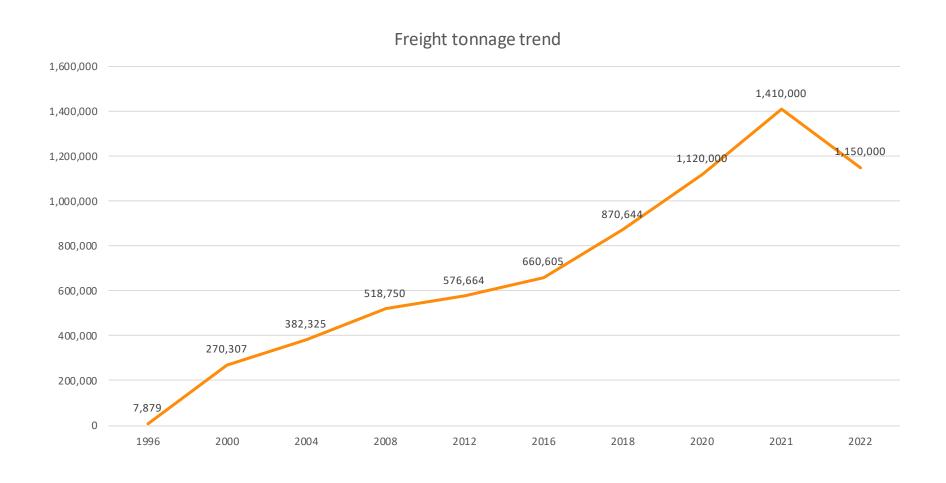
#### Facts & figures:

- Buy 1,600 housings and subsidies for noise isolation to 6,000 housings
- Investment of EUR 450 Mio over the last 20 years
- Claim management: circa 3,500 claims in 2022 with small number of complainants (250 in 2021 and 350 in 2022 with 24 totalling 85% of the claims)



## **ANNEXES**

# Cargo evolution & forecasts in tons (strong and uninterrupted growth up to 2021)



## Infrastructures as of today



Logistic hub

## Potential of development for tomorrow



### Masterplan – 2040



### Multimodal Strategy & Connectivity



#### The Liege Port

- Ideally situated at the centre of the world's most extensive navigable network
- Third largest inland port in Europe
- With **115,921** TEU 2020
- Connected to Antwerp & Rotterdam







#### Cargo railway terminal

- Handled 16,103 containers (+66%) to and from China in 2021.
- 172.893 tons, increase of 70% compared VS 2020.