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### **Groupe ADP and Paris-Saclay conurbation to strengthen their cooperation to develop innovation and research**

- **Groupe ADP is strengthening its cooperation with Paris-Saclay Agglomeration Community in order to develop synergies in innovation and research, especially to meet the challenges of decarbonization, by relying on the University research and development ecosystem of Paris-Saclay.**
- **Paris-Orly Airport is a springboard for the economic development and attractiveness of the Paris-Saclay agglomeration, thanks to its national and international connectivity. Fully integrated into its urban area, Groupe ADP's ambition for Paris-Orly is to be a pioneer in decarbonization, with a very ambitious objective of zero net emissions for all ground operations by 2030.**

The merger between Groupe ADP and Paris-Saclay Agglomeration Community is designed **to give rise to concrete innovation projects**:

- ◆ In terms of decarbonization and transformation of airport operations: carbon footprint, waste treatment, new mobility and access, new energies, biodiversity, new building materials, etc.
- ◆ These can be tested directly in real-life situations at the airport, or at its future **"Green Lab" open innovation space**, which will open in the second quarter of 2024. This physical space, located in the heart of the airport, will be a hub of innovation and a meeting place for innovators. It will be a real technological showroom and a place to accelerate projects by startups, young companies and researchers ; It will be opened to passengers and to the entire airport ecosystem.

The first concrete achievement of this new strengthened partnership will be **a call for projects, from the entire Paris-Saclay innovation community, launched in the first quarter of 2023** – gathering high schools and Universities, research and development laboratories, startups and young companies, - to feed the "Green Lab" project.

The Paris-Saclay Agglomeration Community is associating with this entire process:

- ◆ The **Systematic competitiveness cluster, a European Deep Tech cluster**, which brings together and leads a community of nearly 900 member companies, including nearly 600 startups, SMEs and ETIs, 140 major groups, 140 academics and a college of some 20 local authorities.
- ◆ The **French Tech Paris Saclay** association, a community of start-ups at Paris-Saclay region.

"The strengthening of our territorial links and cooperation with the Paris-Saclay Agglomeration Community should be a lever for innovation and attractiveness for the entire southwestern Paris-Ile-de-France region. To support its environmental transformation, Paris-Orly Airport is fortunate to be able to count on a neighboring ecosystem of innovation and research that is unique in the world. This new partnership will enable us to identify and deploy concrete innovation projects to meet the challenges of transforming our airport hubs, particularly in terms of decarbonization," said **Edward Arkwright, Deputy CEO of Groupe ADP**.

"Paris-Orly Airport is a major national site that provides a structure for our region. Anything that helps optimize the integration of the airport into its environment is beneficial. This agreement therefore commits us both to a cooperation that will be fruitful in every respect," state **Grégoire de Lasteyrie, Chairman of Paris-Saclay conurbation**.

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Groupe ADP develops and manages airports, including Paris-Charles de Gaulle, Paris-Orly and Paris-Le Bourget. In 2021, the group handled through its brand Paris Aéroport more than 41.9 million passengers and 2.1 million metric tons of freight and mail at Paris-Charles de Gaulle and Paris-Orly, and more than 118.1 million passengers in airports abroad. Boasting an exceptional geographic location and a major catchment area, the Group is pursuing its strategy of adapting and modernizing its terminal facilities and upgrading quality of services; the group also intends to develop its retail and real estate businesses. In 2021, group revenue stood at €2,777 million and net income at -€248 million.

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The Paris-Saclay agglomeration community is a major hub in the Île-de-France region. In addition to its dense ecosystem organized around several economic clusters, the agglomeration is home to an innovation hub that is one of the eight largest in the world and accounts for 15% of national research. With its proximity to Orly international Airport, Massy TGV station, major highway network and high-speed Internet access, the region is particularly well connected.

This major economic and scientific hub is set in a preserved environment, with 60% of its land being natural. At the gateway to the Chevreuse Valley, with its protected farmland, natural areas, villages with character and towns on a human scale, the Paris-Saclay agglomeration community offers a privileged living and working environment

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