

Servair strengthens its position as Africa's leading caterer with a new site in Benin's Cotonou

Paris, 7th January 2010 – Servair, the French leader and third ranking global player in air transport catering and logistics, announces the opening of a new airline catering unit in Cotonou, Benin.

Servair has partnered up with AHS, a major airport assistance specialist in West Africa, to open a new catering unit called "Servair Benin" in the Cotonou airport zone, Benin's economic capital and the country's largest city.

With a surface area of 450 m², **the unit will be fully equipped to optimise the production area** on a basis of 1,000 tray meals a day. Set to be operational by June 2010, the teams will initially prepare the meals for Air France at a rate of 5 flights a week. It will then supply the flights of RAM, Afriqiyah, Air Ivoire and Toumaï Air Tchad.

Cotonou's international airport, Cardinal Bernardin Gantin, connects the region's major capitals and France, and provides scheduled flights between the big cities.

"This new partnership marks Servair's entry into Benin in an economically dynamic city. The consolidation and development of our international network are strategic" adds Denis Hasdenteufel, Servair's International and Development Executive Vice President

With this new site, Servair confirms its position as leading caterer in Africa with a total of 11 units, located at Bamako in Mali, Dakar in Senegal, Douala in Cameroon, Djibouti in the Republic of Djibouti, Libreville in Gabon, Lomé in Togo, Nouakchott in Mauritania, Ouagadougou in Burkina Faso, Abidjan in the Ivory Coast, Lagos in Nigeria and Cotonou in Benin.

SERVAIR is the leading French airline catering and cleaning company. In 3rd position worldwide with more than 50 sites, with its partners and subsidiaries, SERVAIR offers airlines a range of services that are vital to the air transport sector and for the comfort of passengers. Its requirements, in terms of quality and know-how, have led to SERVAIR becoming a true driving force for its 120 customer companies, helping them to improve their commercial offers to passengers, while scrupulously adhering to the constraints of air transport.

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