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### Press release

## GEODIS inaugurates a new rail link between France and Italy

A leading player in multimodal transport, the GEODIS Road Transport Line of Business is expanding its network in Europe with the introduction of a road-rail solution linking the Paris region with northern Italy.

Officially launched on January 18, the line links Noisy-le-Sec in France to Novara in Italy and is intended to offer an alternative to road transport.

On a booked path, GEODIS operates 3 rotations per week (i.e. 6 round trips) and offers a loading capacity of 240 ITUs<sup>1</sup> per week. This represents a saving of up to 75% in greenhouse gas emissions<sup>2</sup>.

Daniele Bernardi, Managing Director of the GEODIS Road Transport Line of Business in Italy, said: "We are delighted to be able to offer a road-rail solution to our customers including delivery to or from France, for packaged products as well as liquids or powders; hazardous materials or waste. A single loading unit is used from the sender to the recipient (swap bodies, box containers and tanks). All our container carriers are equipped with GPS beacons to guarantee safety and real-time information."

Marc Vollet, Director of Operations and Multimodal for the GEODIS Road Transport Line of Business, added: "As the French leader in multimodal transport, we continue to develop rail-road solutions in Europe. This new France-Italy route provides our customers with additional capacity for cross-border multimodal transport and it emits three times less CO<sub>2</sub> than transport by road."

This project is part of the GEODIS Road Transport Line of Business' "Green" strategy. It operates more than 100 trains per week on the European network.

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GEODIS is a top-rated, global supply chain operator recognized for its commitment to helping clients overcome their logistical constraints. GEODIS' growth-focused offerings (Supply Chain Optimization, Freight Forwarding, Contract Logistics, Distribution & Express, and Road Transport), coupled with the company's truly global reach thanks to a global network spanning nearly 170 countries, is reflected by its top business rankings: no. 1 in France and no. 7 worldwide. In 2020, GEODIS employed over 41,000 people globally and generated €8.4 billion in revenue.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ITU: Intermodal Transport Unit.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Milan-Paris Region route, by comparison with a road solution.

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