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# Serving Moroccan Performance

The Moroccan economic growth goes together with the logistics development.

In recent years, the kingdom multiplies infrastructure works including an ambitious program of latest-generation logistic platforms meant to support the country's economic and industrial development.

Concerned by being part of this dynamics and to improve its airfreighting segment, the Moroccan Airports Authority(ONDA) implemented a development program dedicated to the airfreight centers. The objective is to set them up as real freight logistics hubs integrating every stage of the logistic chain used for the air goods transportation.

Gathering the whole freight chain in the same area by optimizing the flow management plan, can indeed decrease the companies' costs, improve the operations efficiency, enhance the quality of services and increase the global competitiveness of the freight mode of transportation.



# Modern Airfreight Centers

Four sites have already been identified to host the first high-tech airfreight centers: the airports of Casablanca, Rabat, Agadir and Tangier. These airports have been selected following a detailed analysis carried out on the airfreight development potentialities and aiming at creating four regional "excellence clusters", equally dispatched between the North, the East, the Center and the South.

The conclusion of this analysis was that the central excellence cluster will hence remain the major driver of the airfreight development, by positioning Casablanca as the reference airport, besides being operating in complementarity with Rabat airport.

As for the North, Tangier's geographical location naturally led its airport to have the highest development potential in airfreight, mainly due to the economic and industrial development over the past years.

Whereas lower in the South, Agadir's airport stood out as the best option for the regional airfreight growth.

And about the East zone, Oujda's airport is already self-sufficient and ready by now to handle the forecasted freight quantities.

The total works needed to upgrade these terminals represent an investment of 865 million dirham with an allocated budget in three phases.

## A long-term perspective

Moroccan Airports Authority works at implementing its own follow-up projects to support the upgrading of the infrastructures and facilities dedicated to the airfreight, mainly by:

- the stimulation off competition between the operators through the improvement of the ground services;
- the improvement of the airfreight handling process and of the correlated operations;
- the improvement of the methods and the approaches so as to simplify chain procedures;



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