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A new food-court at Antwerp station

Milan, 18th December 2003 - Today sees the opening by Autogrill of a new food-court, the “Antwerp Centraal, Food Center”, in the main railway station of the city of Antwerp, in partnership with SNCB, Société Nationale des Chemins de Fer Belges.

Revenue projection of more than 10 million euros over the next 8 years.

Antwerp is the third largest station in Europe in terms of surface area. The food-court is located in the international transit area for passengers boarding trains on the Paris-Brussels-Amsterdam line. Work will be completed in 2005. The location covers a surface area of 400 sq.m, where Autogrill offers high-quality food & beverage services to meet a full range of traveler needs.

In Europe, the railway station food & beverage services market is worth more than 1.6 billion euros. The Autogrill Group expects to achieve significant growth in this channel as new high-speed rail links are built across Europe as an alternative to air transport. With Antwerp, Autogrill is now present with its brands in 35 European railway stations, operating a total of 41 multi-offer outlets (21 in France, 8 in Italy, 5 in Spain, 5 in Switzerland and 2 in Belgium).