THIAIS ORLY RUGBY

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PRESS RELEASE

Thiais Orly Rugby to present key strengths at MIPIM 2012, March 6th,16:30

The choice for the future site of the new French National Rugby Stadium, scheduled for completion in 2017, will be unveiled this June by the French Rugby Federation. Among the two finalists, the Thiais Orly project will be presented at **MIPIM, in Cannes, the 6th of March, at 16:30**. The scheme is promoted by the cities of Thiais, Orly, Rungis and Chevilly-Larue; the General Council of Val-de-Marne; and the Public Development Agency Orly-Rungis Seine Amont.

Unrivalled transport links in the Paris Region

Situated only 6 km from the centre of Paris, the Rugby Stadium of Thiais-Orly will benefit from a unique combination of local, national and international transport links. Orly International Airport is 1 km from the proposed site. Development plans include the extension of metro line 14 with three new stations, a new multi-modal hub at Pont-de-Rungis (RER C, metro, and bus), the new tramway line T7 (Villejuif – Athis-Mons), and a new TGV high-speed train station at the airport. The area benefits from an extensive road network: A86, A6, A10, A106, and RD7 (formerly RN7). Direct access from the site to roads A86 and RD7 is provided in the plans.

A Major Development Area and Economic Hub

Orly-Rungis is the third largest centre of employment in the Paris region. Some 173,000 currently work in the area, which has a catchment of two million inhabitants. Orly-Rungis is one of the three biggest regeneration projects in the *Grand Paris intra-muros* area. The area is already home to major companies such as Danone, Ricoh, L'Oreal, and Thales. The site of the stadium is in close proximity to Rungis Market, the biggest international fresh produce market in the world; SILIC Park, the biggest privately-owned business park in Europe; and Belle-Epine, the number one shopping centre in Europe. The site offers an environment of economic growth, needed to ensure a successful sporting venue.

A Great National Stadium

The stadium will be located adjacent to a 15-hectare park, surrounded by a total development area of 160 hectares. This development will include a range of office buildings, residential units, bars and restaurants, as well as a conference centre and a gastronomy exhibition centre, to be operated by the Rungis

Market. The stadium will have a seating capacity of 82,000, and include all the necessary parking amenities.

“A sporting venue should be an integral part of business and cultural life. It should be used all year round for sporting, business and cultural events.”
Christian de Portzamparc, architect/urban planner, in charge of the urban development plan for Thiais-Orly Rugby project:

www.thiais-orly-rugby.fr

MIPIM 2012: Presentation of the project Thiais Orly Rugby 6. March, 16:30
Stand Paris Region – Plaisance Hall – Space Agora

Speakers:

Christian FAVIER, President of Val-de-Marne County Council

Richard DELL’AGNOLA, Member of Parliament and Mayor of Thiais

Laurent GARNIER, Vice-President of Val-de-Marne County Council in charge of Town Planning, and Chairman of the Orly Rungis-Seine Amont public development agency

Christine JANODET, Mayor of Orly

Jacques TOUCHEFEU, Director-General of the Orly Rungis-Seine Amont public development agency

Yanick LE MEUR, Deputy Director-General of the Orly Rungis-Seine Amont public development agency

Etienne GUYOT, Chairman of the Executive Board, Société du Grand Paris

Pierre GRAFF, Chairman of ADP

Joël GAYSSOT, Secretary General of Thiais-Orly Rugby Business Club

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