Today, Munich Airport (MUC) officially inaugurated its new terminal two €900/ $1bn satellite - Germany’s first midfield terminal - which will begin operations on 26 April. The building adds another 7,000sq m of retail and F&B to the 16,400sq m in the existing T2, and takes the duty free and travel retail offer to a new level.

With the facility’s 27 new gate positions, the capacity of T2 - which is used by Lufthansa and its Star Alliance partners - will be increased by 11m to 36m passengers per year.

Forming the heart of the new satellite is the central marketplace where passengers have a wide range of shopping and dining options in spacious areas flooded with natural light. Market stands, each with a theme, are designed as an authentic tribute to the Viktualienmarkt - Munich’s famous open-air market. Passengers will also have five new Lufthansa lounges to choose from.

NUMEROUS RETAIL ZONES

There are three duty free zones [operated by Munich Airport retail subsidiary Eurotrade] plus 15 retail areas in the satellite, as well as seven restaurants and cafes. MUC says of its 7,000sq m retail space: “The architecture, the shopping options and the wide variety of foods and drinks available reflect the Bavarian lifestyle and Munich’s unique character.”
More retail space at Munich as $1bn satellite opens

The retail spaces present popular brands with Munich roots such as Hallhuber; traditional German brands such as Steiff, Picard and the Lufthansa Worldshop, and a range of international premium names including Boggi Milano, Cedon, Pinko, Van Laack and Victoria’s Secret.

The large Travel Value/duty free space on both levels, again designed with Munich in mind, is a highlight of the new shopping experience says MUC.

### F&B AT THE FOREFRONT

On the F&B side, Munich’s popular chef, Alfons Schuhbeck, has a deli called Speisekammer offering an extensive selection of to-go items and merchandising products. Guests can also turn to the bakery for breads, spreads and sandwiches.

Passengers can also dine-in at the Schuhbeck restaurant or the burger house, Hans im Glück, which offers a direct view of the apron. Lenbach’s Bar serves tapas alongside traditional drinks while Bubbles Seafood & Wine Bar has spectacular views of aquarium columns with real fish.

Sissi & Franz – a new private airport brand bridging the gap between Bavarian and Austrian culinary traditions – provides a modern coffee house atmosphere. Connoisseurs of Mediterranean cuisine also have the option of Italian restaurant Amo.

![Bubbles Seafood & Wine Bar](image)

The Bubbles Seafood & Wine Bar is bound to gain attention with its aquarium columns and real fish.
The satellite terminal is a continuation of the joint venture between Munich Airport and Lufthansa. As in T2, the partners have teamed up to design, build and finance the new facility on a 60:40 basis. Munich architectural firm Koch + Partner was selected for the design and general planning.

The satellite has no direct landside transportation links. Check-in will take place in T2 and is accessed by an underground transport system in under 60 seconds.

Preparatory work for the new passenger building started in the summer of 2011 and construction of the building itself was completed in autumn 2015. This was followed by the operational testing phase, with extensive trials involving more than 3,000 participants playing the role of passengers.

At the launch event today, almost 2,000 people were present including a large number of high-level dignitaries. Dr Markus Söder, the Bavarian Minister of Finance was one of them. He said: “As one of the world’s most advanced terminal buildings, the satellite is an infrastructure development for the future. Its annual passenger capacity matches the entire traffic handled by a mid-sized German airport. Once again, Munich is setting new standards.”

Munich Airport’s CEO, Michael Kerkloh, sees the satellite as a key element in the successful ongoing development of the airport. “With the satellite, we will not only maintain our justly renowned standards of service and overall airport experience – we will actually take them to a higher level. That starts with the comfortably appointed waiting areas, and extends to the attractive marketplaces with the charming restaurants and the 27 pier-served aircraft stands which, in most cases, will eliminate the need to move passengers by bus.”

While Lufthansa CEO, Carsten Spohr, did not allude to any shift of traffic or routes to MUC from its main hub of Frankfurt, he said: “The expansion of Terminal 2 with the new satellite building will make the Lufthansa Group airlines operating in Munich a better and more attractive option for passengers from all over the world.

“With twice as many pier-served stands for boarding and deplaning, five new lounges with more than 4,000sq m of floor space and state-of-the-art gates, passengers at our five-star hub will enjoy even more comfort and higher standards of quality. Our investment in premium-quality facilities is a visible commitment to the continuation of our success story in Munich.”

Norbert Barthle, from the German Federal Ministry of Transport also stressed the importance of Munich as a hub for the entire country. About the new satellite he said: “It will reinforce Munich’s position as one of the world’s largest and most passenger-friendly hubs. But Munich Airport will need to keep developing in the future as well. The further expansion in the form of a third runway, for which a building permit is in place, is a transportation infrastructure project of national importance.”
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T2 satellite exterior view.