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avec box: 24-hour grocery shopping at Wetzikon station

Valora will open another avec box on Thursday, 27 February 2020, in Wetzikon. The modern convenience store offers 24-hour access to its tried-and-tested range of convenience products in addition to a practical and fast shopping experience. Customers can also use self-checkout registers at certain times during the day.

The avec box in Wetzikon is a hybrid model and represents Valora's next test phase for Switzerland's most modern convenience store. Customers can now enter the store during the morning and evening rush hour from Monday to Friday without the avec app and pay at the self-checkout registers. Staff are present during these times to support customers with their shopping, stack the shelves and keep the premises in order.

Access, shopping and payment are generally still made using the avec app. The app is the customer's personal key to access the shop 24 hours a day seven days a week. avec box in Wetzikon offers a tried-and-tested range of convenience products, including fresh food to eat on the go, everyday food items and the most important household products.

It will be at Wetzikon station until the end of 2020. The further roll-out of the store in Switzerland is still pending. The new concept complements the current Valora formats and meets the growing customer need for greater autonomy and flexibility when shopping.

The app as a shopping assistant

Persons from the age of 14 can register in the app, which is available for iOS and Android. After successful registration, customers can enter the store by scanning a QR code. They can then scan in the products they selected at their own pace and add them to their personal shopping cart. Payment is finally made via the app – without any need for queuing at the cash register.

Data privacy is very important to Valora in relation to avec box. All personal data are processed strictly in accordance with data protection requirements.

More information about avec box and detailed explanations about registration, use and data privacy can be found at box.avec.ch.

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About Valora

Each and every day, around 15,000 employees in the Valora network work to brighten up their customers' journey with a comprehensive foodvenience offering – nearby, quick, convenient and fresh. The more than 2,700 small-scale points of sale of Valora are located at highly frequented locations in Switzerland, Germany, Austria, Luxembourg and the Netherlands. The company includes, among others, k kiosk, Brezelkönig, BackWerk, Ditsch, Press & Books, avec, Caffè Spettacolo and the popular own brand ok.– as well as a continuously growing range of digital services. Valora is also one of the world's leading producers of pretzels and benefits from a well-integrated value chain in the area of baked goods. Valora generates annual external sales of CHF 2.7 billion. The Group's registered office is in Muttenz, Switzerland. The registered shares of Valora Holding AG (VALN) are traded on SIX Swiss Exchange AG.

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