

PRESS RELEASE

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Parcel delivery provider GLS will again participate in action Clean Vysočina, will clean almost two-kilometre long section of road around its headquarters

Parcel delivery provider will this year again in April participate in nature cleaning project Clean Vysočina. Volunteers from the Czech headquarters of GLS will be on 15th of April cleaning almost two-kilometre long section of the road around the headquarters of GLS Czech Republic. Garbage collection and cleaning of the public areas and the nature organizes Vysočina region for the eleventh time. There were 22 thousand of volunteers that collected more than 73 tons of garbage. Good news is, that the amount of garbage around rivers and roads is decreasing.

Vysočina region organizes cleaning of the nature within project Healthy Vysočina and MA21 that take place between 8th and 21st of April, this year for the eleventh time. Among participants are volunteers, schools, municipalities or companies, among which is every year parcel delivery provider GLS. *„We suppose, that about 30 % of our employees will participate. We will be cleaning almost two-kilometre long section of the road around our sorting centre in the industrial zone in Jihlava. This project, that is a permanent part of our program for sustainable development, is for us another opportunity to help the nature,“* says Pavel Včela, director of GLS Czech Republic.

The amount of thrown garbage is decreasing

Good news is, that the amount of collected garbage thanks to Čistá Vysočina is over the year decreasing. More than 22 thousand of volunteers collected “only” 73 tons of garbage during the 10th year of this project. A year before there was 82 tons of collected garbage, in 2016 104 tons. *„Situation is getting better every year thanks to projects like Clean Vysočina. In general, there is stronger effort of companies and individuals to act ecologically in all directions. And we therefore try, within our ThinkGreen program, to plant trees into the landscape, renew our fleet with modern and ecological vehicles or support project Biking to work. We regularly monitor our production of emissions consumption of resources and recycling activities,“* adds Pavel Včela.

Everyone can help

Vysočina region welcomes help of every single one, who is willing to put their hands to work. Everyone can sign up for this project online using an online form on the website of Vysočina region. Garbage bags are available for free. Spring cleaning actions are organized by some other regions of Czech Republic. For example, according to the initiative “Clean the world, clean Czech Republic” will Saturday 6th of April the main cleaning day. Other activities can be organized besides the handpick collection of garbage, e.g. financial or material support.

GLS Czech Republic and the GLS Group

GLS Czech Republic is a subsidiary of General Logistics Systems B.V. (headquartered in Amsterdam). GLS realises reliable, high-quality parcel services for over 270,000 customers, complemented by logistics and express services. "Quality leader in European parcel logistics" is GLS' guiding principle, sustainability being one of the core values. Through wholly owned and partner companies, the Group provides a network coverage of 41 European states. GLS is also present in eight U.S. states and in Canada, and is globally connected via contractual agreements. About 50 central transshipment points and more than 1,000 depots and agencies are at GLS' disposal. With its ground based network GLS is one of the leading parcel service providers in Europe. GLS counts 18,000 employees and every day around 30,000 vehicles are on route for GLS. In the financial year 2017/18 GLS achieved revenues of 2.9 billion euros and transported 584 million parcels.