

PRESS RELEASE

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Parcel delivery provider GLS opens ParcelShops in stores of Carmelite Publishing House, there is already over 330 GLS ParcelShops in Czech Republic

International parcel delivery provider GLS further strengthens its network of ParcelShops. Customers can now pick up and send their parcels in 11 stores of Carmelite Publishing House. Seven stores of the Publishing Houses network are already active, activation of the remaining bookstores is in progress. GLS is planning to increase the total number of ParcelShops to 500.

Parcel delivery provider GLS continues to increase the total number of Czech ParcelShops and there is already more than 330 ParcelShops. The total number will be increase by 11 thanks to cooperation with Carmelite Publishing House, which is active on the Czech market since 1991. The publishing house has issued more than 2150 titles and build 12 bookstores in total, which secure the distribution of books across Czech Republic. *„Eleven of our bookstores will operate GLS ParcelShops, seven of them are already active. The reaming four ParcelShops will be active soon and we are currently intensively working on it. Our goal is thanks to this cooperation with GLS to gain new customers of people, who come to our bookstores to pick up or send a parcel,”* explains David Tesař, the manager of one of the Carmelites bookstores.

GLS aims to operate more than 500 ParcelShops this year

The number of ParcelShops is successfully increasing. GLS plans to open another 200 of them in Czech Republic by the end of this year. *„The network of ParcelShops has worked really well for us a therefore we continue to thicken it so that we can cover entire all towns with more than 5000 citizens in Czech Republic. GLS currently operates more than 16000 ParcelShops across Europe,”* says Pavel Včela, director of GLS Czech Republic. ParcelShops are branches of parcel delivery provider for the public and small companies, that are operated by third parties – mostly owners of small, medium and large stores with various goods and services. *„ParcelShops allows customers to pick up or send a parcel without queues and waiting and close to their homes or workplaces. Partners that operate ParcelShops gain new from this cooperation new customers, that can be interested in their goods or services,”* adds Pavel Včela.

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

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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.