

PRESS RELEASE

A cutting-edge delivery option for online shoppers

GLS ParcelLockers now in four countries

Amsterdam, 16 February 2016. Ordered online and delivered to a GLS ParcelLocker: GLS now operates more than 70 parcel locker terminals in Eastern Europe – the first parcel service provider in the region to do so. The GLS Group, which operates across Europe, is thereby offering consumers an additional, practical way of receiving parcels.

GLS has rolled out its ParcelLockers in Hungary, Slovakia and Romania. GLS Slovenia pioneered the first lockers in October 2014. In these countries, more than 70 terminals have been installed already, and more are planned. GLS Czech Republic is currently preparing the introduction.

GLS customers are experiencing particularly strong growth in online sales and deliveries to private households in Eastern Europe. At GLS Hungary, for example, this growth reached almost 40 percent in 2015. “Recipients who aren’t at home during the day, or who want confidential delivery can collect their parcels any time of day and night at a GLS ParcelLocker,” says Gergely Farkas, Managing Director GLS Europe East. “This solution corresponds to today’s modern lifestyle.”

Easy to use and secure

The recipient opens the compartment holding the delivered parcel with an access code, which he previously received via SMS, email or a notification card. Cash-on-delivery parcels can also be collected and paid for using a cash or credit card. ParcelLockers can also be used to send parcels. The solidly built terminals are equipped with a security and surveillance system.

GLS offers delivery to ParcelLockers as a new, additional option of the *FlexDelivery* **Service** in Eastern Europe. Other options include collecting parcels from a GLS ParcelShop or having them delivered on a specified day within a certain time window. The lockers can also be used as an alternative delivery address when the recipient is not at home – if there is a unit in the area and the recipient has agreed in advance.

A video shows how the GLS ParcelLocker works:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vbHsSVKqHcU>

The GLS Group in Europe

GLS, General Logistics Systems B.V. (headquartered in Amsterdam), realises reliable, high-quality parcel services for over 220,000 customers in Europe, 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 and is globally connected via contractual agreements. 39 central transshipment points and 688 depots are at GLS’ disposal. With its ground based network GLS is one of the leading parcel service providers in Europe. Over 14,000 employees handle 436 million parcels per year. Every day around 19,000 vehicles are on route for GLS. In the financial year 2014/15 GLS achieved revenues of 2.1 billion euros.

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