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## James Rietkerk steps down as GLS Group CEO

**Amsterdam, 25 June 2020.** With effect from 25 June James Rietkerk has stepped down as GLS Chief Executive Officer of the GLS Group. James Rietkerk has served as GLS Chief Executive Officer since June 2018, prior to that he was GLS Group Chief Financial Officer since April 2001.

Keith Williams, Chair, Royal Mail plc, said: "James has made a significant contribution to Royal Mail over his 19 years with us. He has been instrumental in growing and building GLS into the business that it is today. He leaves GLS in excellent shape having delivered record results in 2019/20 and a strong start to 2020/21. On behalf of the Board, I would like to extend my thanks to James and wish him well in the future."

James Rietkerk, GLS CEO, commented: "It has been a privilege to have been part of the team that has built GLS over the past 19 years. The business is well positioned to meet the challenges that the future holds and I look forward to seeing it continue its development."

### ***The GLS Group***

The GLS Group provides reliable, high-quality parcel services to over 240,000 customers, complemented by freight and express services. "Quality leader in parcel logistics" is GLS' guiding principle. Through wholly owned and partner companies, the GLS Group covers 40 countries and is globally connected via contractual agreements. With its ground based network, GLS is one of the leading parcel service providers in Europe. The Group also operates through wholly owned subsidiaries in Canada and on the West Coast of the USA. The GLS network consists of c. 70 central and regional transshipment points and c. 1,400 depots which are supported by c. 28,000 final mile delivery vehicles and c.4,000 long distance trucks. GLS employs c. 19,000 people. In the 2019/20 fiscal year GLS generated revenues of 3.6 billion euros and delivered 667 million parcels.

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