PRESS RELEASE

**GLS Ireland opens new depot in Cork**

* **Preparing for further growth**
* **Closer proximity to customers**
* **Secure and sustainable**

**Dublin, 14 November 2018. GLS Ireland has begun operations at a new depot in Cork. The move to a newly built site triples the capacity. With this step, the parcel service provider is preparing for further growth.**

The depot is strategically well located in Blarney Business Park, 16 kilometres from the previous location. That means it is centrally positioned within Ireland’s second-strongest economic region and has access to all major roads. Consignments can therefore be quickly exported from Cork to the Dublin hub where GLS Ireland connects to the European network of the GLS Group. This new depot in Cork is also advantageous in exporting and importing for a wider range of customers since GLS is moving closer to them.

The warehouse is 240 per cent bigger than the previous depot in Little Island. The new conveyor system contributes to a faster, more efficient process. Three times as many parcels can now be processed in the region. A first-class level of security is ensured by internal and external cameras and a high-security fence.

The new location allows GLS Ireland to operate more flexibly in terms of delivery areas assigned to the Cork location, and offers great opportunity to grow business further.

**Sustainable in terms of performance and operations**

“The Cork depot strengthens our network for the long term”, says Andreas Rickert, Managing Director of GLS Ireland. “We expect continually rising parcel numbers, and the increased capacity allows us to sustainably offer our customers a high quality level.”

Sustainability was also important to GLS in the construction of the building. The latest construction standards were met. This included LED lighting and excellent insulation to reduce electricity consumption and effects on the environment.

Andreas Rickert concludes: “First customers based in Blarney Business Park signed up already with GLS to ship their goods across Ireland and Europe. This underlines our decision to relocate and enlarge our footprint in Cork.”

***GLS Ireland and the GLS Group***

GLS Ireland 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 transhipment 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.

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