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Press Release

GLS Poland opened four new branches in April

Jelenia Góra, Wieluń, Krosno and Gryfice are new locations on the map of the operator's branches. In total, GLS Poland already has 45 depots throughout the country.

The operator is consistently developing its infrastructure throughout Poland. The goal: to be as close to customers as possible in order to provide them with the most efficient service. The courier company chose four different regions to locate its new branches. Wieluń is a central point between large cities: Wrocław, Łódź, Częstochowa and Kalisz. Three national roads meet here, and only approx. 20 km separates the city from the S8 expressway. The branch is prepared to handle about 5,500 parcels a day.

The branch in Jelenia Góra strengthens the service of the south-western part of Lower Silesia, relieving the branch in Legnica. The capacity of the facility near the Karkonosze Mountains is designed for handling 7,000 shipments per day. The branch serves mainly the nearby foothill areas, which are less accessible from the A4 motorway. Interesting fact: couriers on the route from Jelenia Góra to the so-called Worek Turoszowski (near Bogatynia) go through the Czech Republic, because the fastest way leads through Liberec.

Couriers from the depot in Gryfice - located between GLS Poland branches in Koszalin and Szczecin - deliver and collect parcels from the north-western part of the Pomeranian Voivodeship (with a capacity of over 4,000 parcels per day), mainly in the coastal region from Mrzeżyno to Świnoujście.

The branch in Krosno serves the south-eastern edge of Podkarpacie (up to 6,000 shipments per day), relieving the operator's depots, mainly in Rzeszów and Nowy Sącz.

- We are systematically densifying and expanding the core infrastructure. In this way, we are constantly increasing the capacity and, at the same time, the flexibility of our operational network. For example, the facility in Gryfice has been operating for three years as a reloading point, now it has been transformed into a branch - says Tomek Zwiercan, Managing Director of GLS Poland.

Closer to e-commerce

The company invests in its core infrastructure in order to develop all segments of its business. However, it is very important that the volume of parcels addressed to individual recipients is growing rapidly.

- Figuratively speaking: the closer we are to the recipients, the easier it is to manage last mile logistics, introduce new services and functionalities, and react quickly in case of changes on the market. And the dynamic development of e-commerce brings many of them. That is why we increase the company's potential in all areas of our activity. We want to be as well prepared as possible to adequately respond to the needs of customers and provide the quality of service they expect - explains Tomek Zwiercan.

1,400 branches around the world

All four new GLS Poland branches were opened in April this year. Let us remind you that in the fall of 2020, the courier company launched three branches: near Starogard Gdański, in Różan (north of Warsaw) and in Wodzisław Śląski. Last year, the GLS branch in Poznań was also significantly expanded. The branch, operating in this location since 2008, together with the GLS Poland headquarters, has a capacity twice as high as before the expansion. The operator also launched there a sorting facility for export parcels to Western Europe. The facility is fully prepared to take over the function of an independent regional sorting centre at any time.

The entire GLS Group network - in 40 European countries, the US West Coast and Canada - consists of approximately 70 central and regional transshipment points and about 1,400 branches. In total, taking all countries into account, the operator delivers up to 6 million parcels per day.

*data for fiscal year 2019/2020.