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# Press release

## "Lean and Green 1st Star" for GEODIS in Germany

### GEODIS in Germany plans to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions globally by 30 percent by 2030

At this year's Retail Logistics Congress in Cologne, GEODIS Contract Logistics line of business in Germany was awarded the "Lean and Green 1st Star" from GS1 Germany<sup>1</sup>. The provider for contract logistics services was able to reduce its carbon footprint by approximately 30 per cent in the past five years and therefore actually exceeded the target of at least 20 per cent set by "Lean and Green". At the same time, GEODIS achieved an important milestone in Germany within the framework of its global "Ambition 2023" plan, which envisages a worldwide CO<sub>2</sub> reduction of 30 percent by 2030.

GEODIS manages the "Lean and Green" project coordination from its German office in Frankfurt/Main. One of the first measures was the conversion of all fourteen locations in Germany to green electricity. This took place on January 1, 2020 and has already achieved  $CO_2$  savings in the region of 1,415 tons in the first 2 years. Another measure was the implementation of a new transport management system, which led to an optimisation of route planning and to better transport utilization. The new routing & dispatch system helps to avoid unnecessary empty kilometres and to consolidate loads. This achieves an annual saving of about 20,000 kilometres, which corresponds to a reduced  $CO_2$  emission of 14 tons per year, based on 700g/km.

Furthermore, GEODIS in Germany is now using EURO trailers in the renewal of its vehicle fleet. These offer more cargo space, which means that one in eleven journeys can be saved. The total reduction amounted to 446 tons in 2020. The conversion of company cars to hybrid, as well as training in fuelefficient driving, also make an important contribution to  $CO_2$  reduction. In June 2021, the company also switched its company car fleet to the DKV CARD Climate fuel card, which is used to compensate 100 percent of  $CO_2$  emissions. This amount is forwarded to the environmental protection organisation "myclimate" for climate protection projects. Thanks to these measures, around 16 tons of  $CO_2$  emissions can be offset annually.

"Our commitment in Germany is a good example of the many activities of our company to support environmental protection worldwide. The "Lean and Green" award gives evidence to our continued commitment to this path together with our customers and employees as part of our "Ambition 2023" plan," says Thomas Kraus, President & CEO North, East and Central Europe of GEODIS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> GS1 is a global collaboration platform that brings industry leaders, government, regulators, academia, and associations together to develop standards-based solutions to address the challenges of data exchange. More on <u>www.gs1.de</u>

#### GEODIS - www.geodis.com

GEODIS is a global leading transport and logistics provider recognized for its commitment to helping clients overcome their logistical constraints. GEODIS' growth-focused offerings (Supply Chain Optimization, Freight Forwarding, Contract Logistics, Distribution & Express, and Road Transport), coupled with the company's truly global reach thanks to a global network spanning nearly 170 countries, is reflected by its top business rankings: no. 1 in France and no. 7 worldwide. GEODIS employs over 44,000 people globally and generated €10.9 billion in revenue in 2021.

#### GS1 Germany - www.gs1.de

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