

Press release

CONSTRUCTION OF VGP PARK ZVOLEN HAS STARTED. VGP WILL FIRST PREPARE A WAREHOUSE HALL FOR PACKETETA SLOVAKIA

6 December 2022, Bratislava, Slovakia: VGP, owner, manager and developer of high-quality semi-industrial and logistics real estate is expanding in the regions. After concluding an agreement with logistics company Packeta Slovakia on future lease of 2,500 m² of warehouse space, VGP is starting with construction of the first warehouse in the new premises of VGP Park Zvolen in Banská Bystrica Region. It will be built on the northwest border of the city, less than 1 km from the R1 Bratislava – Zvolen expressway with direct connection to the I-66 motorway (Zvolen – Banská Bystrica). Preparation work at the site of 10.2 hectares has just been launched. The first warehouse will make available 8,100 m² of lettable area: Packeta Slovakia will use 2,500 m² and the remaining 5,600 m² of the building are being considered by other potential tenants. The first warehouse is scheduled for completion in the 3rd quarter of 2023.

“We already have all valid permits for constructing three various warehouses at the location with total lettable area of 52,000 m². The park is situated in a retail zone, and Zvolen itself lies at the centre of a major transport hub, making it a very attractive location not only for logistics and e-commerce but for other tenants, as well,” comments **Erik Križan, VGP Commercial Country Manager for Slovakia**, adding: *“We are excited about our co-operation to date with Packeta. All negotiations are progressing with mutual agreement, and so we believe that the current project is just the beginning of a long-term partnership.”*

Packeta is originally a Czech logistics company founded in 2010. It specialises in comprehensive logistics services for online shops and, since 2019, also in the transport of packages and letters between individuals. The company expanded into the Slovak market less than ten years ago and already provides solutions for shipments worldwide with more than 10,000 dispatch points and 2,160 self-service pickup points (so-called Z-Boxes). The company’s success is also evidenced by a number of recognitions: for example, a Zlatý středník (Golden Semicolon) award for the Zásilkovna mobile application, the Křišťálová Lupa (Crystal Magnifying Glass) award in the Internet Commerce category, and the Slovak Employer of the Year 2020 in the Transport and Logistics category according to a survey by the company Profesia.

“With our rapid annual growth, the requirements for office and warehouse space are increasing. In order to be the best on the market, the new hall must meet several important parameters. We appreciate all the more that VGP is able to meet all our sometimes high demands. We are convinced that the warehouse in Zvolen will be the beginning of a new and intensive cooperation with VGP,” states **Alexander Jančo, Executive Director of Packeta, Slovakia**.



VGP Park Zvolen is designed in accordance with VGP's long-term corporate policy to build sustainable and energy-efficient buildings. Therefore, its construction will be carried out with the aim of obtaining the internationally recognised BREEAM certificate at the level Excellent. There will be an extensive green roof and a green façade implemented in the currently built new hall. Vegetation on the roof will include grass, herbs, moss and will have a significant impact on the biodiversity and CO2 footprint of the area. In addition, it will cool the interior and also the surroundings of the building, reduce noise and dust particles in the air, and therefore provide pleasant work conditions and reduced energy costs. Rainwater harvesting will also be implemented, with rainwater being used for watering of the green façade and for multiple gardens in the park. Photovoltaic panels will be installed on the currently built hall to reduce energy costs, and will among others be used for the heating of hot water for office areas.

The city of Zvolen is considered a strategic transit point in Slovakia, and its potential is further enhanced by the nearby Sliač airport. Zvolen has a total population of 43,000, while the wider Zvolen – Banská Bystrica region is home to more than 150,000 people. The VGP premises will be built close to the Continental tire plant as well as existing retail and logistics zones. That means the site already has good public transport accessibility for all potential employees from the surrounding area.

Technical parameters of VGP Park Zvolen:

- Total area: 102,000 m²
- Lettable and currently free area: 52,000 m² / 5,600 m²
- Minimum unit size: 2,000 m²
- Number of halls: 3
- Building quality: BREEAM Excellent Certificate

About VGP

VGP is a pan-European owner, manager and developer of high-quality logistics and semi-industrial real estate. VGP operates a fully integrated business model with capabilities and longstanding expertise across the value chain. Founded in 1998 as a Belgian family-owned real estate developer in the Czech Republic, VGP has a staff of circa 380 FTEs today and operates in 19 European countries directly and through several 50:50 joint ventures. As of June 2022, the Gross Asset Value of VGP, including the joint ventures at 100%, amounted to € 6.53 billion and the company had a Net Asset Value (EPRA NTA) of € 2.34 billion. VGP is listed on Euronext Brussels. (ISIN: BE0003878957).

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