

David Barrero joins the management team of GLS Portugal

- **With his appointment, the company seeks to consolidate its agency network model in Portugal and position itself as a benchmark in the parcel delivery sector in the Portuguese market.**
- **He will also play an active role in the design of the corporate strategy in Iberia.**

Madrid, 22nd May 2023 – GLS welcomes David Barrero as Managing Director of GLS Portugal and a new member of the GLS Iberia Board of Directors. With extensive experience in the logistics sector and an outstanding professional career, Barrero will play a key role in continuing to drive the GLS business model in Portugal and consolidating its Iberian capillary distribution network. He will also be part of the GLS Iberia Board of Directors, contributing his knowledge and expertise to the company's strategic plan.

With a solid background in logistics and extensive experience in the express transport sector, David Barrero has held positions in different areas, such as distribution and sales, project development, and change management. All of this has provided him with a transversal vision of the business that has been key to his subsequent success in different management, administration, and operations positions in leading companies in the industry. Before joining GLS, he was General Manager of Correos Express for the last two years.

GLS is one of the leading international parcel and transport services providers in Spain and Portugal, thanks to its extensive agency network and model based on proximity and quality. With the appointment of David Barrero, the company aims to position itself as one of the benchmarks in parcel services for e-Commerce and small B2B in Portugal, both in terms of market share and the quality of its service.

On the new appointment, Luis Doncel, General Manager of GLS Iberia, has said: *"We are delighted to welcome David Barrero to the GLS family. His in-depth industry knowledge, strong management skills, and strategic vision are invaluable assets in our mission to strengthen our position as a logistics partner in the Iberian market."*

In turn, Barrero has stated: *"I firmly believe in the GLS mixed business model. Thanks to the combination of local agency management with our own centres and the international structure of the GLS Group, we are close to the customers and, at the same time, flexible enough to offer them a personalised service. In addition, we are more capable of adapting to peak workloads with this mixed model. With more than 600 agencies and 5,800 Parcel*

Shops, GLS is the Iberian network with the greatest capillarity, the best option that combines proximity and quality for the recipients of shipments."

Barrero, already settled in Portugal, intends to start his project by strengthening the ties between Spain and Portugal, which is why he is already studying new transport routes between the two countries to achieve greater efficiency in operations and offer customers and recipients more flexible hours to be able to make deliveries in these areas.

About GLS Iberia

GLS in Iberia is made up of the Spanish and Portuguese subsidiaries of the GLS Group, a leading provider of national and international parcel, freight forwarding and express services in 40 countries. Thanks to its extensive network of logistics centers and its extensive knowledge of the local market, GLS customers receive a high-quality, personalized and flexible service, not only in Europe but also beyond its borders.

In Spain, the GLS network has nearly 600 of its own centers and agencies, in addition to the support of more than 5,300 Parcel Shops, approximately 5,800 delivery vehicles and 450 long-distance trucks. GLS Spain currently employs around 1,400 professionals.

In Portugal, the GLS network has more than 60 of its own centers and agencies, more than 500 Parcel Shops, more than 500 delivery vehicles and around 15 long-distance trucks. It employs around 150 professionals.

For all these reasons, GLS in Iberia brings a great capillarity to the Group, allowing the proximity and person-to-person deliveries that characterize the company.

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