

## Amazon plans to open Customer Returns Center in the Czech Republic

- Prague-based center for returns handling is planned to open in October 2013
- Creation of up to 1,000 long term jobs and 700 seasonal jobs within the next three years

**Luxembourg, July 17, 2013** – Amazon plans to open a returns hub in the Czech Republic in October 2013, creating up to 1,000 permanent jobs and additional 700 seasonal jobs during peak time within the next three years. The facility will manage reverse logistics, handling customer returns of the Amazon.de website. The facility is planned to start operations with approximately 600 employees. Hiring for these roles has already started. Initially Menlo Logistics will be assisting with the startup operations of the facility.

"We are very excited about our investment in the Czech Republic and look forward to creating up to 1,000 permanent jobs in our new facility in Prague", said Steve Harman, Director Operations at Amazon. "We thank the city of Prague and all local political representatives for the fast and efficient cooperation to make sure operations can start this holiday season."

Located in the vicinity of Prague Airport, Prague's central location in Europe, access to a great employment base and its close connection to key markets were the key reason for choosing the site. The 25,000 square-metre-site will be rented from Panattoni Europe that manages the Prague Airport Logistic Park. Lately, the facility park was awarded the Tenant's prize as 'Best Logistics Park 2013'.

The new site in Prague will help Amazon handle current and future customer demand and ensure that Amazon customers everywhere enjoy the fast and reliable return handling they are accustomed to. Amazon's German business has exhibited strong growth in recent years as customers continue to respond to Amazon's great selection and services. Currently, over 9,000 permanent employees work in Amazon's German fulfillment centers. In the past twelve months, Amazon has created 3,000 new permanent jobs in Germany, and the workforce continues to grow. Amazon has recently announced plans to open a new fulfillment center in Brieselang (Brandenburg), creating 1,000 additional jobs in the next three years.

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