

# **AUTODOC** is investing around 40 million euros in the automation of its logistics center in the Czech Republic

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Berlin, December 17, 2024 -AUTODOC SE, one of Europe's leading online retailers of vehicle spare parts and accessories, is investing EUR around 40 million in the automation of its logistics center in Cheb, Czech Republic. The site will be transformed into a highly automated warehouse by 2026. The aim is to ensure the company's future growth and to make customer supply more efficient. "The transformation into a highly automated warehouse is a crucial step to continue achieving a strong growth in the coming years and to offer our customers added value," explains Dmitry Zadorozhny, CEO of AUTODOC. Construction is scheduled to begin in the second quarter of 2025. During the construction phase, the warehouse will remain operational to minimize the impact on existing operations.

## State-of-the-art technology for faster processes and higher capacities

The 27,000-square-meter warehouse, named "C27", will have up to 200,000 stock-keeping units and five million items in stock. Automation will increase processing speed to 10,000 order lines per hour, which represents a 50 percent increase in order processing compared to existing locations. The system will also be equipped with 192 robots that will enable a 30 percent increase in productivity.

The transformation of "C27", in which AUTODOC is cooperating with TGW Logistics Group GmbH, into a highly automated warehouse will enable 50,000 orders to be processed daily once the conversion is complete – this corresponds to the volume currently achieved by all three logistics centers in Berlin, Szczecin and Cheb combined. "By increasing our capacity, we can not only offer our customers faster deliveries, but at the same time expand our product selection," says AUTODOC CEO Dmitry Zadorozhny, adding: "This building will serve as a blueprint for our future expansion of logistics centers."

In addition, AUTODOC is planning ergonomic and modern workplaces for the 900 employees who will work in Cheb after the modernization is complete – a significant increase over the current workforce of 370.

This year, an average of 10,000 orders per day will be processed, 30,000 parts picked and around 12,000 parcels shipped to customers in Austria, Italy, Germany, France,



Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary and Slovenia.

#### **About AUTODOC**

AUTODOC is a leading online retailer of vehicle spare parts and accessories in Europe. The company, which was founded in Berlin in 2008 by Alexej Erdle, Max Wegner and Vitalij Kungel, has developed into one of the most exciting e-commerce companies in Europe in a very short space of time. Since November 2022, the company has been operating as the European public-limited company AUTODOC SE. The Management Board consists of Dmitry Zadorozhny (CEO) and Lennart Schmidt (CFO). As of December 31, 2023, AUTODOC has 5.8 million products for 172 car, 23 truck, and 154 motorcycle brands in its range. In 2023, AUTODOC generated turnover of €1.3 billion (2022: €1.1 billion). AUTODOC has online shops in 27 European countries and employs around 5,000 people in ten locations: Germany, Czech Republic, France, Kazakhstan, Luxembourg, Moldova, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, and Ukraine.

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