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New site opened at East Midlands Gateway

### **Arvato Supply Chain Solutions opens new location in UK**

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**Guetersloh/Nottingham – Arvato Supply Chain Solutions is expanding its capacities in the United Kingdom with a distribution center of approximately 25,000 m<sup>2</sup> at Segro Logistics Park East Midlands Gateway. The site is to be used as a mutli-client hub for customers in the consumer electronics industry as well as healthcare sectors and is also seen as a perspective investment in the future.**

"We have defined the UK as a strategic growth market for us, where we are already seeing great demand for our solutions and a strong increase, especially in the e-commerce sector," explains Tobias Uthmann, Managing Director UK at Arvato Supply Chain Solutions.

Demand for local logistics solutions in the UK has increased significantly in recent years, particularly as a result of Brexit. International brands are specifically looking for logistics partners with locations within the country to avoid complicated customs clearance and cross-border returns processes. In addition, there is the rapid growth in e-commerce and the increasing demand for shorter delivery times.

The distribution center is strategically located on the road network between the cities of Nottingham, Derby and Leicester with direct access to the M1, which provides access to the entire United Kingdom. The site is adjacent to the A50 and A453 trunk roads and is just a few miles from the A42/M42 junction at J23A.

"With the new site, we aim to meet the high demands of our existing as well as potential new customers and are very pleased that the capacity at East Midlands Gateway will allow us to plan for the long term with a distribution center that fits perfectly into our growth strategy. We will be able to excellently implement our growth plan for the upcoming years," Tobias Uthmann underlines the importance of the new location for the e-commerce and supply chain service provider.

"It's fantastic that Arvato has selected SEGRO Logistics Park East Midlands Gateway for its new state-of-art distribution hub. The building is being developed to the highest design and sustainability standards. It is a great name to add to the logistics park community and will bring valuable employment opportunities to the local area", says Andrew Pilsworth, Managing Director, National Logistics at SEGRO.

" With the decision for the new warehouse in the UK, we are continuing our strategy of continuously expanding our global network of logistics-relevant locations," adds Andreas Barth, President Tech and Group Head of Corporate

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In addition to the new logistics center, which will prospectively create up to 300 jobs. Arvato Supply Chain Solutions has created a total of more than 175,000 square meters of new logistics space in 2021 by building new distribution centers and expanding existing locations in Germany, Turkey, the United States, Poland, Spain, China and Russia, among others, and has more than two million square meters of space at 85 locations worldwide. Further growth for 2022 is already planned.

#### **About Arvato Supply Chain Solutions:**

Arvato Supply Chain Solutions is an innovative and international leading service provider in the field of supply chain management and e-commerce. Partners come together with industry specialists in the fields of Telecommunication, Hightech, Entertainment, Corporate Information Management, Healthcare, Consumer Products and Publisher. About 16,000 employees work together to provide practical and relevant solutions and services worldwide. Using the latest digital technology, Arvato develops, operates and optimizes complex global supply chains and e-commerce platforms, as the strategic growth partner for its customers. Arvato combines the know-how of its employees with the right technology and appropriate business processes to measurably increase the productivity and performance of its partners.

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Globally renowned companies from a wide variety of industries – from telecommunications providers and energy providers to banks and insurance companies, e-commerce, IT and Internet providers – rely on Arvato's portfolio of solutions.