

Press Release

Gebrüder Weiss opens office in Armenia

Tbilisi/Yerevan, 7th of June 2017. Gebrüder Weiss is continuing to expand its presence along the Silk Road. The new representation office in the centre of Yerevan city started its activities at the beginning of April, and is connected to the Gebrüder Weiss Georgian branch in Tbilisi. A twice-weekly groupage freight shipment service from anywhere in Europe through our Austrian (Vienna) and German (Hanau) warehouses to Armenia is offered. Alongside land transport services, the company's portfolio also features air and sea freight, both managed by the Gebrüder Weiss hub in Tbilisi.

Caucasus region expanded

“By being represented in Yerevan, we are expanding our network in the Caucasus region, as a link between Europe and Central Asia,” explains Thomas Moser, Director and Regional Manager South-East/CIS at Gebrüder Weiss, the strategic step. The representative's aim is the advancement of feasibility for export-oriented on-site companies entering the Armenian market. In this respect, Moser further explains it's also intended to continue developing exports from Armenia to Europe.

Best transit option: the overland north-south corridor

“The transport situation in Armenia is not easy, since there is no direct access to the sea, and the geographically restricted borders in the west and in the east make transportation in the country difficult. This of course has an impact on transport options,” says Alexander Kharlamov, Managing Director of Gebrüder Weiss Georgia, about the challenging geographic component for logistics companies. The majority of all imports passes through sea ports of Georgia, and then proceeds overland through Georgia to Armenia.

About Gebrüder Weiss

With over 6,500 employees, 150 company-owned locations and a provisional annual turnover of 1.36 billion euros (2016), Gebrüder Weiss ranks among Europe's leading transport and logistics companies. In addition to its core business of land transport, air & sea freight and logistics, the company operates a number of highly specialised industry solutions and subsidiaries under the umbrella of Gebrüder Weiss Holding AG, based in Lauterach (Austria). This includes logistics consultancy firm x|vise, tectraxx (industry specialist for hi-tech businesses), inet-logistics (software solutions for TMS transport management), dicall (communications solutions, market research, and training), Rail Cargo (railway transport) and the Gebrüder Weiss parcel service GWP, co-partner of the

Austrian company DPD. This bundling of services allows the corporate group to respond to customer needs quickly and flexibly. Having implemented a variety of environmental, economic and social initiatives, today the family-run company with a 500-year history is a pioneer in sustainable business practices.

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