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PostNL signs sustainable parcel logistics agreement with the four largest municipalities

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On Friday 13 February, PostNL signed an agreement on sustainable parcel logistics together with the four largest municipalities and other logistics parties. Consumer convenience is central to the approach of PostNL. An increasing number of people chose to receive their parcels out of home, at a time that suits them. Through this collaboration, the parties involved are taking a step towards an accessible and efficient network of parcel lockers within walking and cycling distance for residents of Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Utrecht and The Hague.

Parcel lockers have become a familiar part of the streetscape in a society where online shopping continues to grow. For years, PostNL has been investing in a nationwide, open network of parcel lockers. These are often accessible 24/7, are located in accessible places, and are highly valued by consumers for their convenience and control. Moreover, the nearly 1,500 parcel lockers of PostNL are open to other carriers. For example, GLS and FedEx already use the PostNL parcel lockers. This prevents fragmentation in public spaces and increases the utilization of existing locations.

By consolidating parcels at a single location, parcel lockers help reduce transport movements and enable more efficient delivery in urban areas. “Especially in large cities, where space is scarce and demand is high, cooperation is essential,” says Harm Schokker, Deputy Director Out-of-Home at PostNL. “With this agreement, we are exploring together with municipalities and other carriers how we can build a network that works for consumers and contributes to liveable cities.”

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