

PRESS RELEASE

GLS supports women entrepreneurs in e-commerce. The eWoman competition knows its finalists

Prague, 14/10/2020. The Czech Republic knows the 10 best business women in the field of e-commerce. This year, 18 business women applied to the eWoman category within the Entrepreneurial Woman project, which has been organized by Women Ltd. in cooperation with AMSP CR. The jury then selected the 10 best business stories to compete for the public. The three winning projects will be rewarded with a voucher worth CZK 15,000 for the e-Balík Profi service of GLS. It is possible to vote on www.podnikavazena.cz until October 31, 2020.

The Entrepreneurial Woman project is being held for the sixth time this year. Its goal is to give women financial support in their business, share their experiences and possibly also provide the necessary counselling. *"Interest in the competition is growing year by year, as is the number of women starting a business in the Czech Republic",* says Eva Čejková Vašková, co-founder of the project and managing director of Women Ltd. *"In addition, in the last 7 years, women have been more active in starting new businesses than men. The main motive is to gain independence and time flexibility. A total of 18 interesting and ambitious projects have entered our new eWoman category."*

The jury also included representatives of the transport company GLS, which decided to join the project as part of the celebrations of the 15th anniversary of its operations in the Czech Republic. The main prize for the three winning business stories will be a voucher for parcel transport worth CZK 15,000 from GLS. Pavel Včela, Director GLS Czech Republic: *"We would like to make it easier for women to start their business by having a reliable transport partner and professional software for distributing their shipments. This will support the development of their e-shop. Not only does the e-Balík Profi make it easier for start-up entrepreneurs to access the Czech and pan-European GLS transport network without the need to conclude a contract. Thanks to the option to pay for shipping, they can also save significantly on sending parcels to their e-shop customers."*

More information and profiles of eWomen can be found here: www.podnikavazena.cz.

GLS Czech Republic and the GLS Group

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