

## **rlc | packaging group restructures locations in Switzerland and expands production in Eastern Europe**

**Hanover, 16 July 2018 – The rlc | packaging group is expanding its leadership position in the European packaging market. The company is setting its course for future growth with investments in Eastern Europe and a realignment of its locations in Switzerland.**

The two LIMMATDRUCK | ZEILER locations in Köniz and Spreitenbach Switzerland will specialize more on local markets in the future. "We are expanding the Spreitenbach site as a production center for packaging solutions in the Swiss market. We invested heavily here over the past two years and we have focused our production on TRAYCENTER and PHARMACENTER already. As a result, this site is well prepared to meet the needs of customers in Switzerland – particularly those in the pharmaceutical industry," explained rlc | packaging group managing partner Hans-Christian Bestehorn.

An innovation and service center for packaging and design development will be established in Köniz. Also, the production of individual, specific packaging solutions will remain at this site. The number of jobs affected by the restructuring at the Köniz plant has not yet been determined. Restructuring measures are expected to be completed in 2019.

BSC Drukarnia will play a stronger role in the rlc group to take full advantage of the growth prospects in Eastern European markets. Like in Switzerland, rlc will continue to pursue its strategy in line with the local principle: if possible, packaging production within the group's location network will take place where customers have their manufacturing and packing operations. BSC Drukarnia alone will invest more than €14 million in expansions during 2018/2019. This is where another facility is being

built for five more production lines. The investment will also include new factory buildings along with warehouses for finished goods and raw materials.

#### **About rlc**

The rlc | packaging group is a highly specialized supplier of innovative folding carton solutions for the branded goods and pharmaceutical industry with a sales market that takes in all of Europe. Based on its system solutions, the company focuses on the demands of the Beauty, Pharma, Food and Luxury goods segments. It operates eight highly specialized sites in Germany (Hanover, Aachen, two in Berlin), Switzerland (Zurich and Bern) as well as Poland (two in Poznan) to meet the needs of these discerning target groups by offering a full range of services: from packaging development to production, logistics and packaging technology. With approximately 1,200 employees and a cumulated annual turnover of approximately €241 million, the company group is one of the leading folding carton manufacturers in Europe. The roots of the company stretch back to 1861. For more information, visit [www.rlc-packaging.com](http://www.rlc-packaging.com).

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