

Press release

Moravská Nová Ves, Lužice and Hrušky receive monetary aid

Lohmann & Rauscher donates 1 million Czech crowns for reconstruction after tornado

Slavkov, 10. December 2021: The internationally active medical products company Lohmann & Rauscher (L&R), which also has a branch in Slavkov, donates 1 million Czech crowns for reconstruction after the tornado. The amount will be given to the three villages of Moravská Nová Ves, Lužice and Hrušky for investments in the destroyed village infrastructure.

Hardly anyone in the south-east of the Czech Republic will forget the evening of 24 June 2021. A tornado with wind speeds of up to 400 km/h left a trail of destruction 26 kilometres long and up to 700 metres wide. It claimed the lives of 6 people and injured 200. More than 1200 houses were damaged.

For 30 years now, the German-Austrian medical devices company Lohmann & Rauscher (L&R) has had a branch in Slavkov, about 60 km away from the places of destruction. The L&R site in Slavkov combines large production capacities, logistics, sales and marketing as well as other administrative units and today employs more than 700 people. Slavkov has played a major role in the success story of the entire L&R group. Among other things, the important Kitpack OR multi-component systems are produced there. These are assembled under clean room conditions and contain all the disposable medical products needed for a surgery.

Medical device company lives responsibility

As a company in the health sector and as a supplier of medical products, it was quickly clear how L&R wanted to help the victims of the tornado in a first step: The company donated medical products for acute care to the hospitals in Breclav and Hodonin. The employees also collected money for the victims of the tornado from day 1 after the



disaster, and soon they were also able to make a monetary donation through their pay slips. L&R Czech Republic and the Group management quickly decided to provide additional aid to the affected region and the people. L&R donated a total of one million CZK to the villages of Moravská Nová Ves, Lužice and Hrušky.

Wolfgang Süßle, CEO of the L&R Group: "The extent of the destruction caused by the tornado was and is immense. As an important employer in the region, but above all as people who work here or, as it is in my case, travel through this area to our company site in Slavkov, we were deeply affected. Many people have been deprived of their homes, indeed their entire livelihoods, and villages have been robbed of their important infrastructure. As a company in the health sector, people and the care of their health are at the centre of our actions. Based on this fundamental attitude, we not only provide our customers and patients with the best possible products and services. We also take responsibility where people need help - like in Moravská Nová Ves, Lužice and Hrušky."

Cash donation for reconstruction

Eva Havlickova, authorised signatory of L&R Czech Republic, coordinated the various support services of the company in summer and autumn: "We are very happy that we do not have any victims among our own employees, nor have their houses or flats been damaged. But this does not relieve us of our responsibility to support the reconstruction work here and in Moravská Nová Ves, Lužice and Hrušky. With our donation, we want to make our contribution to give the people and the villages back a future."

The mayors of the three villages Moravská Nová Ves, Lužice and Hrušky will use the donations for various repair and reconstruction works now that the demolition works of the destroyed houses have been completed. It is estimated that this reconstruction will burden the budget for the next 10 years.

Lohmann & Rauscher (L&R)

Lohmann & Rauscher (L&R) is a leading international developer, manufacturer and supplier of high quality, future-oriented medical devices and hygiene products – ranging from conventional bandages to modern treatment and nursing systems. Created in 1998



from the merger of the two companies Lohmann (founded in 1851) and Rauscher (founded in 1899), L&R has 170 years of expertise as a dependable partner and solution provider for its customers.

With more than 5,500 employees, 50 subsidiaries and shareholdings, as well as more than 130 selected distribution partners, L&R is represented in all important markets around the world and was able to realize a sales volume of more than 750 million euros in 2020. The company's headquarters are located at the Rengsdorf (Germany) and Vienna (Austria) sites.

Today, around 700 people are employed at the L&R site in Slavkov. The site in Slavkov was founded in 1991 and has been continuously expanded and modernised, especially in the area of production and technology - among other things, clean rooms and sterilisation chambers for medical products were built. Other locations of the L&R Group in the Czech Republic are in Nova Paka and Stara Paka and in Trebic.

The entrepreneurial spirit of L&R reflects in the corporate claim: People.Health.Care. – the human, the health and the care for both.

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Caption: Presentation of a symbolic cheque to the Mayor of Moravská Nová Ves Source: Lohmann & Rauscher GmbH & CoKG



Caption: Wolfgang Süßle, CEO of L&R. Source: Lohmann & Rauscher GmbH & CoKG