

# cargo-partner expands e-truck testing to Slovenia

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Earlier this year, the international logistics provider cargo-partner launched a comprehensive e-truck testing program across Europe as part of its corporate sustainability strategy.

Following successful pilots in Austria and Slovakia, the programme has now been extended to Slovenia.

In May, cargo-partner, a subsidiary of NIPPON EXPRESS HOLDINGS, introduced its European electric truck testing programme under the "ROAD (Reducing Our Atmospheric Dependencies)" initiative. As of June 2024,

cargo-partner Slovenia has joined the initiative by testing electric trucks for first- and last-mile operations.

In Slovenia, cargo-partner tested the Scania P25 electric truck, designed for urban, suburban and intercity traffic. The truck can carry up to 20 metric tons of cargo with a capacity of up to 18 pallet places. Its battery pack has a range of 200 to 250 kilometres per charge, with a consumption of 95 to 110 kilowatt-hours per 100 kilometres and a DC charging capacity of 130 kilowatts.

The test period focused on daily collections and deliveries around the cargo-partner iLogistics Center Ljubljana, which offers more than 35,000 m<sup>2</sup> of storage space. Energy efficiency results were comparable to those from Austria and Slovakia, with an average consumption of 1 kWh/km, making it cost-equivalent to conventional trucks.

Additionally, the electric truck testing programme is one of many environmental initiatives the company has launched recently. In May, cargo-partner's sustainability efforts were recognized with the Bronze Medal by EcoVadis, a provider of corporate sustainability ratings.

Furthermore, the company has introduced air freight solutions using Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF), available for flights on any route with any airline worldwide.

In 2023, cargo-partner Slovenia made a significant move by installing a photovoltaic system on the roof of its iLogistics Center near the Ljubljana airport. This system will cover 34% of the company's energy needs and save 146 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> annually.

The company also uses electric cars in its employee vehicle fleet and has installed several electric charging stations in front of the building. Alongside emissions-free road transport solutions, the logistics provider emphasizes rail transport as a sustainable alternative.

In June, cargo-partner launched a range of intermodal solutions for shipments within Europe, including Türkiye, the United Kingdom and Ireland. Furthermore, the company's branches in Slovakia, the Czech Republic, and Hungary have extended their cooperation with HHLA Pure, an initiative by Hafen und Logistik AG (HHLA) and METRANS, to enable climate-neutral rail transport on routes to and from Hamburg, Bremerhaven, Koper, and various other European locations.