

## GAC continues global expansion

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Poland accounts for a massive 22 per cent of business in Central and Eastern Europe. Its GDP is one of the fastest growing in Europe and forecast to rise by almost four per cent in 2009 - unusual in the current climate.

"In a country of 38 million people enjoying improving standards of living, demand for imported goods such as cars and home furnishings is higher than ever, as is the need for reliable logistics services," said Gunnar Lundgren, **GAC's** Regional Logistics Manager.

"Additionally, Poland's substantial exports of clothing and food mean there's lots of freight moving in both directions."

The new Warsaw office is headed by industry veteran Jaroslaw Kasprzyk.

"Our new Warsaw sales office places us closer to our customers," said Kasprzyk. "This, coupled with the group's global network and local expertise, makes **GAC** the most efficient logistics partner for local businesses as Poland continues to grow at a rapid rate."

Earlier this month, **GAC** reported a strengthening of its position in the Central Asian oil and gas industry market with the opening of two offices in Kazakhstan.

Last month, **GAC** opened an office at Maputo in Mozambique to focus on supporting the African country's growing oil and gas, mining and energy supply industries.

Offshore oil drilling in Mozambique is due to start in three blocks next year, as is the construction of the new Maputo refinery.

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