

Press release

Real I.S. puts into operation 10,782 new photovoltaic modules on a distribution centre in the Netherlands

- **Estimated saving of approx. 2,000 tonnes of CO₂ per year**
- **Next step towards a climate neutral portfolio**

Amsterdam/Munich, 11 November 2021 – Real I.S. AG and solar energy company KiesZon have together put into operation 10,782 photovoltaic modules on the roof of a distribution centre in the Bijsterhuizen industrial estate in Wijchen in the Netherlands. The logistics property was acquired for the special real estate alternative investment fund (AIF) “Real I.S. SMART Fund” in 2019 and is leased to DHL on a long-term basis.

‘The Netherlands is a core market for Real I.S., and state-of-the-art logistics buildings are an important element of our international portfolio. The completion of this new solar energy project in the Netherlands is consistent with our international ESG roadmap. Energy transition and the aspiration of climate neutrality connected with it is an issue in all the countries in which we operate. The new solar roof is another step towards a climate neutral portfolio’, said Melanie Grüneke, Head of Country, Real I.S. Netherlands.

Carlo van Doormalen, head of project at KiesZon added: ‘Realisation of the solar roof was a challenging, thrilling task. The project not only involved coordination of all parties involved but also ensuring performance of all necessary processes. We are proud to have been able to implement this large-scale project in collaboration with Real I.S.’

The photovoltaic modules, which cover the area of approximately four football pitches and supply a total capacity of around 3,700 kilowatts-peak, will reduce annual carbon dioxide emissions by roughly 2,000 tonnes.

The distribution centre is located in the Bijsterhuizen business park in Wijchen, one of the biggest industrial areas in the province of Gelderland. Several renowned companies of industry and commerce or the logistics sector – such as Scania (utility vehicles), GLS (parcel services) and the Würth Group – are located within the established logistics estate. The logistics building was completed in December 2018 and has a total leasable area of around 30,000 square meters. The area comprises storage, office and mezzanine space.

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