

## Press release

## SGL boosts its position in Europe, acquiring Gelders Forwarding in the Netherlands, and Advection Logistics in Hungary

Jul 07, 2022 | Share ↗



(On the left picture) Managing Director, Gelders Forwarding, François Verhaart is shaking hands with SGL's regional CEO EMEA, Lars Syberg. (On the right picture) SGL Executive Vice President Corporate Development, Ragnar Dalen, together with Managing Director, Advection Logistics, Izabella Szócs.

**The ambitious global logistics provider, Scan Global Logistics (SGL), ramps up its European organization and network by acquiring two companies in the region. Acquiring Gelders Forwarding (Gelders), an air and ocean forwarder, will significantly scale SGL's airfreight services and enhance its presence in the technology sector. Meanwhile, Advection Logistics (Advection), a full-service logistics provider, becomes the first SGL office in Hungary and provides a platform for growth in the region.**

It's less than a week since SGL acquired Sea-Air Logistics Ltd., increasing its presence in China and Hongkong before putting pen to paper and expanding its European footprint. The signings follow SGL's ambitious growth and acquisition plan, which so far counts eight acquisitions, including one minority investment in 2022.

Allan Melgaard, Group CEO, comments on why matching company DNAs are pivotal to any SGL acquisition: *"Ensuring a strong cultural fit is central to our acquisition strategy allowing for effectivity, commercial synergies, and an easy integration to unfold."*

Izabella Szócs, Managing Director, Advection, and François Verhaart, Managing Director, Gelders, agree and expand on the significance of a similar mindset as they join the SGL family: *"Our companies' cultural DNAs, customer-centric and entrepreneurial approach match SGL perfectly. Becoming one allows us to substantially benefit from our combined expertise and capabilities to offer improved and extended services to our customers. We look forward to developing our future business together".*

### Taking airfreight services higher

Gelders' strong footprint in the semiconductor logistics segment supports SGL's strategic focus on airfreight and will further cement its strong position as a global logistics provider. The ambitious freight forwarder will increase its market share significantly, and the combined organization will have more than 70 dedicated employees.

Already the preferred logistics provider to several well-known, global technology brands, SGL's customer base will expand with the inclusion of Gelders' list of customers, many within the same sector. The alliance will ensure customers access to a vast global network of industry know-how and in-depth expertise from SGL professionals dedicated to providing best-in-class services.

Gelders will also add live animal transportation to the versatile SGL portfolio.

### Gateway to the region

Planting its flag in Hungary follows SGL's global expansion strategy. Being locally present allows SGL to grow closer ties with its existing customers operating from and within Hungary, offering improved services and uncomplicated supply chains. Furthermore, Advection's well-established capabilities, competencies and network provide an excellent opportunity to develop further in the region.

*"With Advection, we share a highly commercial approach and one of deep industry knowledge. Therefore, we are delighted to add its strong competencies within pharma healthcare, automotive logistics and the technology sector to ensure our customers an even better range of services and improved support for their businesses,"* says Lars Syberg, RCEO of EMEA.

Hungary is also a key location for SGL's extensive aid & relief efforts and will play a significant role in its future European-based humanitarian logistics operations.

*"With these two acquisitions, we take another step toward strengthening our European organization and foothold. We will continue to invest in our European infrastructure, employees, and systems to support our global customers and provide uncomplicated logistics wherever they operate,"* finishes Lars Syberg.

Find the press release on the acquisition of Sea-Air Logistics Ltd. here:

<https://www.scangl.com/news/scan-global-logistics-acquires-sea-air-logistics-ltd-and-strengthens-its-operation-in-asia/>

### About Scan Global Logistics

Scan Global Logistics is a global full-service logistics provider headquartered in the Nordic, which excels in

uncomplicating logistics through tailored solutions made by skilled specialists, proud problem-solvers, and passionate entrepreneurs.

Since 1975, the core of our DNA has been a 'can-do-attitude,' agility, and the willingness always to go the extra mile, and we are not afraid to go left when others go right. For us, every challenge is an opportunity. We go above and beyond to bring anything anywhere – whether by air, ocean, rail or road, or any other mode of transportation.

#### About Gelders Forwarding

Established as Gelders Air in 1964, Gelders Forwarding has been an independent forwarder specializing in air, ocean and road forwarding services across the globe. Specialists in high-tech machinery, medical equipment, ship spares and live animal transport, we bring a personal approach and professional mindset to supporting our customers' businesses. François Verhaart, Managing Director, joined the company in 2003 and will stay on board to help the business reach its full potential.

#### About Advection Logistics

Advection Logistics is a full-service logistics provider, bringing together 20+ years of global logistics expertise. We believe in the power of personal service combined with compliance and flexibility to create value for our customers. We prefer insourced solutions boosted by powerful technology. Located at Budapest airport, we offer bonded warehousing and cross-docking, including in-house customs solutions.

## Read the latest press releases

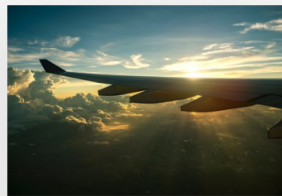
Distributed by SGL, including multimedia press releases, investor relations and disclosure, and company news.



**Press release**  
Mar 31, 2022

#### SGL offers customers an airfreight emission reduction of up to 80% by using Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF)

The need to reduce airfreight emissions in the supply chain is growing faster than ever before. As part of its catalogue of CO2 reducing initiatives, SGL has extended its collaboration wi...



**Press release**  
Mar 31, 2022

#### SGL outlines new low carbon solutions to help reduce customers' CO2 emissions in their newly released Sustainability Report

Scan Global Logistics (SGL) accelerates its climate action to decarbonize customers' supply chains with increased speed and scale. Concrete solutions, including offering Sustainable Aviation...



**Press release**  
Nov 05, 2021

#### Scan Global Logistics and the Danish Defense enters into a strategic seven-year contract

Selected from several leading international logistics companies, SGL has won the tender with DALO (Danish Ministry of Defense Acquisition and Logistics Organisation) to handle the transport...



### Get in touch

**Allan Melgaard**  
Group CEO, SGL Group  
📞 +4532480045

EMAIL ME



### Get in touch

**Lars Syberg**  
Regional CEO EMEA  
📞 +45 2621 8351

EMAIL ME



### Get in touch

**Claes Brønsgaard Pedersen**  
Global CFO  
📞 +45 3248 0200

EMAIL ME



### Get in touch



Get in touch

Izabella Szócs  
Managing Director, Advection Logistics  
+36 30 749 7223

EMAIL ME



Get in touch

François Verhaart  
Managing Director, Gelders Forwarding  
+31 20 653 4255

EMAIL ME

Headquarters

Scan Global Logistics A/S  
Kirstinehoej 7, 2770 Kastrup  
Denmark  
CVR 14049673  
Tel +45 32 48 00 00  
Fax +45 32 48 01 01  
headoffice@scangl.com

Locations

We have local offices worldwide. Find your local office here:

- » Asia pacific
- » Europa
- » Africa
- » Americas

Services

Scan Global covers all of your logistical needs.

- » Air
- » Ocean
- » Road
- » Other services

Career

Grow your career at Scan Global - We are hiring.

- » Jobs



[Disclaimer](#) / [Privacy notice](#) / [Inspection reports](#)

[LinkedIn](#)



Preview Mode

[Fit browser](#) [Preview website](#) [End](#)