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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **PLIVA's Subsidiary in Poland – Company of the Year**

The leading Polish regional daily newspaper, «Gazeta Krakowska», most widely read in the Malopoljska region, has chosen PLIVA's subsidiary in Poland as «Company of the Year».

The prestigious «Golden Company» award, presented by «Gazeta Krakowska», was established three years ago. PLIVA Krakow was elected among 400 other companies participating in the competition, whose theme this year was *Pro Europa*. The panel consisted of leading experts from the world of finance and business, but readers of the newspaper had the most influence in choosing the winner.

Commenting this valuable recognition, Martin Oxley, President of PLIVA Krakow's Management Board, said: "This award is very significant for us because, in a way, it represents an evaluation of our preparations to enter the European Union. PLIVA Krakow will enter the EU as an international manufacturing centre, well-prepared to sell its products on all EU markets."

In addition, the certificates that PLIVA Krakow has already obtained in Poland reconfirm that it is ready to enter the EU: ISO 14001, for environmental protection, and OHSAS 18801, for safety at work, which means that the company already fulfils EU requirements. The procedure for obtaining the Medicines Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MPHRA) certificate is also underway, which will allow PLIVA's subsidiary in Poland to sell medicines produced in Krakow on EU markets.

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