

Securidev wins the KBC GO East 2007 Grand Prix

At the awards ceremony of KBC GO EAST 2007 event initiated and organized by KBC France, Securidev received the jury's top prize.

The KBC GO EAST event recognizes medium-sized French companies for successful development in Eastern and Central Europe. Securidev was selected from a panel of forty companies.

This award recognized Securidev's pioneer role among French investors with a track record of development in Eastern and Central Europe.

Present in 1992 Hungary through the acquisition of the lock business of Elzett (manufacturing and sales), Securidev adopted early on a strong "European" focus, successfully developing strategic positions in Eastern Europe that offers significant growth potential for the locks and security systems market fueled by a trend of building modernization.

Group milestones in Eastern and Central Europe:

- 1992 : Acquisition of the lock business of Elzett (manufacturing and sales)
- 1995 : Creation of sales operations in Poland and the Czech Republic
- 1998 : Creation of sales operations in Bulgaria
- 2002 : Acquisition of Titan in Slovenia (production et commercialisation)
- 2004 : Acquisition of Métalplast-Czestochowa in Poland (manufacturing and sales)

Today, Securidev is the market leader in Poland, Hungary and Slovenia with strong positions in Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Romania and Slovakia. In these markets, it distributes both the local brands of Euro-Elzett, Métalplast and Titan in addition to the other Group brands.

In 2006, Securidev had sales of €150 million. Central Europe accounted for one quarter of Group sales and a workforce of 795 out of a total of 1,984 employees. International operations overall account for two thirds of Group sales.

Additional information on Securidev is available at www.securidev.com

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Securidev is a leading European specialist in locking systems and equipment with three core businesses: access control systems, locking devices for equipment and building locking systems.