**Media Release**

**NORWEGIAN PRIME MINISTER PRAISES TOMRA SORTING SOLUTIONS’**

**€10m MANUFACTURING FACILITY IN SENEC, SLOVAKIA**

Norway’s Prime Minister, Erna Solberg, has expressed her admiration for [TOMRA Sorting Solutions’](https://www.tomra.com/en/solutions-and-products/sorting-solutions/) purpose-built 12,600 sq m state-of-the art manufacturing and distribution facility after visiting it at the Prologis Park Bratislava in Senec, Slovakia.

The Prime Minister was accompanied at the facility by the Ambassador of the Slovakian Embassy in Norway, František Kašický, and a delegation from the Norwegian Embassy in Slovakia. During her visit, the Prime Minister was given a presentation on TOMRA and TOMRA Sorting Solutions by the company’s president and chief executive officer, Stefan Ranstrand, and the head of operations and production, Martin Hypký, as well as a guided tour of the €10mmanufacturing plant.

Over the course of the tour, Stefan explained how TOMRA Sorting Solutions designs and manufactures sensor-based sorting solutions for the food, recycling and mining industries to optimize resource productivity to help customers obtain more, use less and reuse resources to make the planet more sustainable. He also said that this powerful combination of technologies makes the company one of the most advanced providers of sensor-based sorting solutions in the world, with around 10,500 of its systems installed globally.

Commenting on her visit, Prime Minister Erna Solberg said: “I am very impressed with the production facility in Slovakia and the use of technology at TOMRA.”

The BREEAM certified facility, which opened in October 2014, is equipped with the latest building and manufacturing technologies and incorporates sustainable design techniques, such as LED lighting, which align with TOMRA’s vision to lead the resource revolution. Today, the facility employs more than 230 people who together produce around 1,200 sorting systems each year based on 30 different machine types.

TOMRA’s Stefan Ranstrand added: “It is an honour for us to show our Slovakian operation to the Prime Minister of Norway, Erna Solberg. What started as an innovation out of a garage in Asker in 1972, has developed into today's TOMRA, a leading provider of sensor-based solutions and a significant contributor towards obtaining, using, and re-using valuable resources in an optimal way.

“We are happy with our modern, purpose built facility in Senec. It fits well with our strategy to optimise our own efforts and resources and is ideally located for supplying our large Central European markets as well as overseas. We are very pleased with the productivity, quality and continuous improvements, indicating the good skill set and professional attitude of the team.”

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*Captions*

*TOMRA file 1 –* ***Prime opportunity:*** *TOMRA president and CEO Stefan Ranstrand (with flowers) welcomed Norwegian Prime Minister Erna Solberg to the company’s Slovakian manufacturing facility*

*TOMRA file 2 –* ***Fact finding:*** *Norwegian Prime Minister, Erna Solberg (pictured), said she was ‘very impressed’ following a guided tour of TOMRA’s facility in Senec, Slovakia*

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**About TOMRA**

TOMRA was founded on an innovation in 1972, creating the first reverse vending machines (RVMs) for automated collection of used beverage containers. Today TOMRA continues to innovate and provide cutting-edge solutions for optimal resource productivity within two main business areas: Collection Solutions (reverse vending and material recovery) and Sorting Solutions (sensor-based sorting within food, recycling and mining).

TOMRA has approximately 85,000 installations in over 80 markets worldwide and revenues of €650m in 2015. The company employs 2,600 people globally and is publicly listed on the Oslo Stock Exchange (OSE: TOM).