



PRESS RELEASE

ANDRITZ to supply new galvanizing furnace and post-treatment section to Valin ArcelorMittal Automotive Steel Co., Ltd., China

GRAZ, JULY 26, 2021. International technology Group ANDRITZ has received an order from Valin ArcelorMittal Automotive Steel Co., Ltd., China, to supply a galvanizing furnace for a new coating line to produce 3rd-generation Advanced High Strength Steel. The line will produce hot-dip galvanized (GI) or zinc-aluminum-magnesium (ZM) coated flat steel of highest strength, suitable for the automotive industry's latest needs. Start-up of the line is scheduled for the end of 2022.

The ANDRITZ scope of supply includes a direct-fired furnace (DFF) with pre-oxidation functions as well as high-temperature radiant tube (RT) annealing and soaking sections, advanced ultra-rapid cooling and partitioning sections, and also the after-pot cooling (APC) and post-treatment section.

The delivery will also provide a sustainable ANDRITZ solution for a heat recovery system that will use hot exhaust gases from the furnace to heat the air needed for the drying process in the coating section.

This order confirms the excellent experience ArcelorMittal has with ANDRITZ technologies for the production of 3rd-generation AHSS in Europe. In the past, ANDRITZ successfully supplied galvanizing furnace technology to ArcelorMittal for the CGLs in Gent, Belgium and Florange, France.

Valin ArcelorMittal Automotive (VAMA) is a 50/50 joint venture by ArcelorMittal, the world's leading steel company, and Valin Steel, a leading Chinese steelmaker, and is located in the economic development zone of Loudi. The coating line will increase VAMA's capacity to produce high-quality, high-strength steels for the Chinese automotive industry by 450,000 to 2 million t/pa.

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ANDRITZ METALS

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