



## PRESS RELEASE

# Battery cell mass formation line for electric cars supplied by ANDRITZ goes into operation

*GRAZ, January 14, 2026.* International technology group ANDRITZ's subsidiary ANDRITZ Schuler has supplied a high-performance 1.5-gigawatt formation line to a leading battery producer in southern Germany. Since the beginning of the year the battery cells have been produced for a renowned German OEM. The value of the order will not be disclosed.

ANDRITZ Schuler delivered a 1.5-gigawatt battery cell mass formation line for innovative cylindrical booster cells, which enable particularly fast and energy-efficient charging and discharging cycles and are therefore suitable as booster batteries in electric vehicles. The end customer is a renowned German premium car manufacturer.

*"With this order, we are positioning ourselves as a key player in global battery cell production," explains ANDRITZ Schuler CEO Martin Drasch. "Our expertise in battery cell production combined with comprehensive services such as installation, commissioning, and lifecycle support, as well as the strong financial backing of the ANDRITZ Group enabled us to prevail over other competitors. Our extensive experience in digital solutions and data management, along with our commitment to increasing energy efficiency through advanced power electronics, played a pivotal role in this fully European cooperation. We are already working intensively on follow-up orders."*

Formation is the final step in the battery cell manufacturing process. After electrode production and assembly of the battery cell, the chemistry of the battery cells is activated by charging and discharging processes.

Powered by technology from ANDRITZ Sovema, acquired by ANDRITZ Schuler, the formation line ensures superior performance, energy efficiency and innovation. With more than 50,000 channels, 200 formation chambers, integrated power electronics, and a full Track & Trace system, the fully automated solution collects more than two million data points from the batteries per second and includes automated loading and unloading.

The fully automated line, which is 22 meters long and ten meters wide and high, is designed for high energy efficiency and features an intelligent service and maintenance concept.

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The chemistry of the battery cells is activated as the final process step during formation.

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