

Press Release

Groundbreaking for the Pump Construction extension at the Remscheid Lennep site

Oerlikon Barmag investing in the future

Remscheid, February 25, 2020 – by breaking ground for the extension to its Pump Construction division, machine and systems manufacturer Oerlikon Barmag is continuing on its innovation course. With an investment in the high single-digit million-euro range, the new-build at the Leverkusenstraße site represents a clear commitment of the Manmade Fibers segment of the Swiss Oerlikon Group to ensuring its business segment continue to be future-oriented.

The world market leader for manmade fiber systems and texturing machines will be manufacturing and testing hi-tech spinning, feed and metering pumps in the around 4,000 m² no later than December 2020. The attractive new-build will also house offices and communal areas totaling approx. 500 m² on the second basement level. By investing in its future, Oerlikon Barmag is creating new benchmarks in terms of Pump Construction's profitability, process stability and logistics. Around 80 members of staff from incoming goods, logistics and pre-production with 40 machine tools will be moving into the new-build, where they will also be benefiting from a new warehouse and logistics concept.

“There continues to be a high demand for our pumps. They are one of the most important core components within the spinning process. Here, we are currently benefiting from a high order backlog and a high number of incoming orders for manmade fiber systems. But our pumps are also deployed in many other industrial applications, such as the painting industry, the chemicals industry and the production of automobiles. Expanding our production capacities was the prerequisite for optimizing our processes and fulfilling increasing customer demand. In perspective, the expansion not only helps secure the site and jobs for around 150 members of staff, but also above all the Pump Construction division's growth targets. Our clients throughout the world truly value our pumps, particularly against the backdrop of the ‘Made in Germany’ brand”, explained Klaus Lorenz, Head of Pump Construction at the groundbreaking ceremony on Tuesday, February 25, 2020, in Remscheid Lennep.

Georg Stausberg, CEO of the Oerlikon Manmade Fibers segment, added: “Our innovative strength has always been the reason for our globally leading market position in the manmade fiber systems construction sector. For this reason, it is only consistent that we would invest in our development sites in

Remscheid and Neumünster – where we were able to celebrate the groundbreaking ceremony for a new R&D Center in early-February.”

Remscheid’s Mayor Burkhard Mast-Weisz was present at the groundbreaking ceremony, as were numerous representatives of the city, construction company Dohrmann and the architect Michael Treders. Mast-Weisz underlined the significance of the building project for the city. “Creating new jobs on the back of this investment is hugely important for Remscheid”, commented the Mayor. Oerlikon Barmag created several hundred jobs last year alone. This figure included around 20 new jobs in the Pump Construction division in 2019. And there are plans to create further jobs in this division in 2020 as well.

Oerlikon Barmag will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2022. Pump Construction – practically the core of the former Barmag AG – was involved from the very start and has been all about superlative innovative strength and state-of-the-art manufacturing methods in conjunction with a stringent quality philosophy ever since. Oerlikon Barmag manufactures precision gear metering pumps for textile and non-textile applications. The smallest pumps weigh 400 grams, precisely conveying 0.015 cm³/rev, while the largest come in at four tons and are capable of conveying 12.8 liters of liquids per revolution. Textile spinning pumps provide highly-accurate metering of the melt in manmade fiber systems for manufacturing continuous filaments. Non-textile pumps are predominantly deployed in the manufacture of films, in the metering of paints, in the mixing of chemical liquids, in the application of hot-melt adhesives as well as in the processing of silicones, resins and polyurethanes. All manufacturing processes are carried out at the Remscheid site: turning, drilling, milling, grinding, lapping and tothing.

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Caption: Groundbreaking ceremony at Oerlikon Barmag in Remscheid Lennep on February 25, 2020: Head of Real Estate Real Estate Nina Krüger, CEO Georg Stausberg, Mayor Burkhard Mast-Weisz, CFO Ralf Schilken as well as the Head of HR and Management Board Member Uwe Model (from left to right).



Caption: Jointly burying a time capsule at the groundbreaking ceremony at Oerlikon Barmag in Remscheid Lennep on February 25, 2020: Head of Real Estate Nina Krüger, Head of Pump Construction Klaus Lorenz, CEO Georg Stausberg and Mayor Burkhard Mast-Weisz (from left to right).



Caption: Exterior view of the new Oerlikon Barmag production building on Leverkusenerstrasse in Remscheid Lennep.



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About Oerlikon

Oerlikon (SIX: OERL) develops modern materials, systems and surface technologies and provides specialized services aimed at securing high-performance products and systems with long lifespans for customers. Supported by its technological core competencies and its strong financial footing, the corporation continues its medium-term growth plan by implementing three strategic factors: focusing on attractive growth markets, ensuring structural growth and expanding through targeted M&A activities. Oerlikon is a globally-leading technology and engineering corporation, operating its business in two segments (Surface Solutions and Manmade Fibers) and employing around 10,500 members of staff at 175 sites in 37 countries worldwide. In 2018, Oerlikon generated sales of CHF 2.6 billion and invested around CHF 120 million in research & development.

For further information: www.oerlikon.com

About the Oerlikon Manmade Fibers segment

With its Oerlikon Barmag, Oerlikon Neumag and Oerlikon Nonwoven brands, the Oerlikon Manmade Fibers segment is the world market leader for manmade fiber filament spinning systems, texturing machines, BCF systems, staple fiber systems and solutions for the production of nonwovens and – as a service provider – offers engineering solutions for the entire textile value added chain.

As a future oriented company, the research and development at this division of the Oerlikon Group is driven by energy-efficiency and sustainable technologies (e-save). With its range of polycondensation and extrusion systems and their key components, the company caters to the entire manufacturing process – from the monomer all the way through to the textured yarn. The product portfolio is rounded off with automation and Industrie 4.0 solutions.

The primary markets for the product portfolio of Oerlikon Barmag are in Asia, especially in China, India and Turkey, and – for those of Oerlikon Neumag and Oerlikon Nonwoven – in the USA, Asia, Turkey and Europe. Worldwide, the segment – with just under 3,000 employees – has a presence in 120 countries of production, sales and distribution and service organizations. At the R&D centers in Remscheid, Neumünster (Germany) and Suzhou (China), highly-qualified engineers, technologists and technicians develop innovative and technologically-leading products for tomorrow's world.

For further information: www.oerlikon.com/manmade-fibers

Facts and figures

Company

CEO of the Oerlikon Manmade Fibers segment

Oerlikon Textile GmbH & Co. KG
Leverkuserstr. 65
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Sites

Headquartered in Remscheid

Production sites in Remscheid, Neumünster, Bernkastel-Kues, Wuxi and Suzhou (China)

Sales and service subsidiaries in Germany, China, India, USA, Turkey, Taiwan, Thailand, Indonesia and Brazil

Managing Directors

Georg Stausberg (Chairman), Ralf Schilken, Uwe Model

Employees

Approx. 3,200 worldwide, with approx. 1,275 in Remscheid

Brands

Oerlikon Barmag, Oerlikon Neumag and Oerlikon Nonwoven

Product portfolio

Oerlikon Barmag:

- Filament spinning systems for pre-oriented yarn (POY), fully-drawn yarn (FDY) and industrial yarn (IDY);
- Texturing machines (DTY),
- Polycondensation systems (CP),
- Pumps

Oerlikon Neumag:

- Carpet yarn systems (BCF),
- Staple fiber systems (SF)

Oerlikon Nonwoven:

- Spunbond systems
- Meltblown systems
- Airlaid systems

Markets

Asia (particularly China and India), USA, Turkey, Europe, Near and Middle East

Market shares

Oerlikon Neumag BCF systems (carpet yarn): > 80%

Oerlikon Barmag filament spinning systems and texturing machines: approx. 45%

Sales

2019: approx. CHF 1.1 billion

Among others, guests at the groundbreaking ceremony on February 25, 2020 included:

- Remscheid's Mayor **Burkhard Mast-Weisz**
- City of Remscheid **Thomas Hildebrand-Effelberg**
- City of Remscheid **Peter Heinze**

- **Oliver Mesch**, Managing Director of Dohrmann
- **Mathias Förster**, civil engineering project supervisor
- **Michael Teders**, architect and structural engineering project supervisor

- Representatives of the **Bergische Morgenpost** newspaper
- Representatives of the **Remscheider Generalanzeige** newspaper