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## The WITTMANN Group – Current Situation

### **2021 – a record year for the WITTMANN Group**

***In the fiscal year 2021, the WITTMANN Group realized € 376 million in sales, the third highest figure in its corporate history. The order intake figure even reached an all-time high. In spite of the supply chain problems preventing an even higher sales figure, the WITTMANN Group is looking ahead with optimism.***

This optimism is also reflected in the Group's continuing investment activities.

At WITTMANN BATTENFELD in Kottlingbrunn, the construction of a new hall with more than 3,000 m<sup>2</sup> floor space was started in 2021, to house a fully automatic pallet shelf warehouse with 1,700 storage locations, an assembly area for large and vertical machines, as well as a new electrical workshop. Most of the construction work has now been completed. The assembly hall will go into operation at the end of July, the pallet shelf warehouse and the electrical workshop will be operating at full capacity by September. On the roof of the new hall, a solar power system is being installed, consisting of 1,604 panels with a total capacity of 651.8 MWh per annum.

Moreover, the extension of the R&D facility of WITTMANN Technology GmbH, located at Percostrasse in Vienna, was completed this April. Most of the new offices for 40 software and hardware developers are already occupied.

WITTMANN BATTENFELD Deutschland GmbH is investing in both of its technical labs located at Meinerzhagen and Nuremberg. In Meinerzhagen, the existing technical lab is being remodeled and extended, to offer customers sufficient space for factory acceptance tests from autumn this year. The technical lab located in Nuremberg is being completely modernized.

Another major investment project is under way in the USA. In May 2022, the last extension stage for Plant 1 of WITTMANN USA Inc. in Torrington, CT has been commissioned. This will be an extension by 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> of the area for automation systems and complete injection molding cells, combined with further structural alterations, such as a solar power system consisting of 539 panels with a total annual capacity of 322.9 MWh. Further extensions are also planned for the neighboring Plant 2.

The Polish WITTMANN subsidiary, WITTMANN BATTENFELD Polska Sp. z o.o., has purchased a 16,400 square meter piece of land in Krze Duże, close to its current location. Planning for the construction of a new building for sales, service and training facilities is in full swing. The start of construction is scheduled for the end of the first quarter of 2023. Completion is expected before the end of 2023.

For Michael Wittmann, CEO of the WITTMANN Group, the ongoing investments are an important step to secure continuing corporate success for the years to come.



**Fig. 1:** WITTMANN Technology GmbH, Vienna



**Fig. 2:** Future sales and service building of WITTMANN BATTENFELD Polska Sp. z o. o.



**Fig. 3:** New pallet shelf warehouse at WITTMANN BATTENFELD in Kottingbrunn

## The WITTMANN Group

The WITTMANN Group is a globally leading manufacturer of injection molding machines, robots and auxiliary equipment for processing a great variety of plasticizable materials – both plastic and non-plastic. The group of companies has its headquarters in Vienna, Austria and consists of two main divisions: WITTMANN BATTENFELD and WITTMANN. Following the principles of environmental protection, conservation of resources and circular economy, the WITTMANN Group engages in state-of-the-art process technology for maximum energy efficiency in injection molding, and in processing standard materials and materials with a high content of recyclates and renewable raw materials. The products of the WITTMANN Group are designed for horizontal and vertical integration into a Smart Factory and can be interlinked to form an intelligent production cell.

The companies of the group jointly operate eight production plants in five countries, and the additional sales companies at their 34 different locations are present in all major industrial markets around the world.

WITTMANN BATTENFELD pursues the continued strengthening of its market position as a manufacturer of injection molding machines and supplier of comprehensive modern machine technology in modular design. The product range of WITTMANN includes robots and automation systems, material handling systems, dryers, gravimetric and volumetric blenders, granulators, temperature controllers and chillers. The combination of the individual areas under the umbrella of the WITTMANN Group enables perfect integration – to the advantage of injection molding processors with an increasing demand for seamless interlocking of processing machines, automation and auxiliaries.

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