

MAJA backs HOMAG Group high-tech once again

With ten years of successful partnership already behind them, innovative furniture producer MAJA-MÖBELWERK GmbH has once again opted to invest heavily with the HOMAG Group. By closing the deal for high-tech series production plants valued in the double-digit million range, MAJA is killing two birds with one stone: Not only is it buying into the efficient manufacture of high-quality products, it is also creating 120 brand new jobs.

The latest investment by MAJA-MÖBELWERK GmbH encompasses a total of four large-scale plants and several individual machines. This project is being partnered by HOMAG Group AG based in Schopfloch. The new plants are intended to expand the production of lightweight construction furniture at the company's Wittichenau location. The order volume for the HOMAG Group is in the double-digit million range.

Starting with a cutting plant and sawing-stacking combination from HOLZMA and BARGSTEDT, the workpieces travel through the production to two HOMAG high-tech **powerLine** sizing and edge processing lines. Also integrated are several high-performance throughfeed BST 500 drilling machines from WEEKE. BARGSTEDT is responsible for the feeding, transport and handling functions.

A total of nine new BÜTFERING sanding machines take care of calibration and lacquer sanding to an exemplary standard of industrial quality, including models featuring innovative machine beds made of the mineral material SORB TECH. This machine frame concept ensures extreme low-noise running for optimum sanding results. Providing the perfect final note is a complex packaging plant sourced from LIGMATECH which ensures secure, high-value packaging for the finished furniture components.

All the production plants were planned and designed specifically in line with customer requirements by HOMAG Group Engineering. The HOMAG Group project team is ever present as a sound, reliable partner throughout the entire project, from installation through to commissioning. With this successfully completed project, once again the HOMAG Group has demonstrated its competence as a technologically seamless system supplier to the furniture industry.

It is already ten years since the company MAJA first decided to place its trust in machines and plants from the HOMAG Group. The fact that MAJA has returned to the HOMAG Group to invest for a second time is testimony not only to a clear decision in favor of leading-edge technology but also to many successful years of professional cooperation with a system supplier. Because it is after the commissioning phase that the competence and professionalism of the HOMAG Group come to the fore. Providing a range of comprehensive services and after-sales backup, the HOMAG Group ensures maximum plant availability and optimum support over the entire life cycle.

Added to all these benefits, with this investment program MAJA has created over 120 new permanent jobs. CEO Uwe Gottschlich: "By taking this step, we have not only secured the future of Wittichenau as an industrial location within the District of Bautzen, but also laid the foundation for additional growth in the future." Already today, lacquered flat-pack furniture is produced by a team of over 300 and delivered around the world to clients including IKEA.

In a groundbreaking ceremony held on February 29th, MAJA launched the official start of the construction work to expand the company premises.

Following completion of the building and installation of the new plants and machines, according to current estimates the first lightweight construction furniture is due to roll off the production line in the spring of 2013.

Twenty years after the Wittichenau factory was founded and the first foundation stone laid, this latest investment in the new building and new production line represent a further significant milestone in the development of the company.

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