

Hydro begins construction of its new car production line

The Norwegian aluminium concern Hydro has begun construction on a new, modern car production line for light sheet metal for car bodies at its plant in Grevenbroich. The Federal Minister of Health, Hermann Gröhe, Grevenbroich's Mayor Ursula Kwasny, Hydro Plant Foreman Dr. Stefan Kästner and Kjetil Ebbesberg, who is the new Head of the Hydro Rolled Products Division since 1 January took part in the ground-breaking ceremony for the new plant. The 130 million euro investment raises Hydro's capacity for aluminium sheet for car bodies from currently 50,000 to 200,000 tonnes per year, and is expected to go into operation at the end of 2016.

The new plant is Hydro's reaction to the rising demand and the anticipated market growth in aluminium lightweight parts for vehicle bodies. "The investment meets the rising customer demand for high-performance sheet metals for lighter car bodies," said Kjetil Ebbesberg. "It also strengthens our aluminium cluster in the region, together with our production of primary aluminium in Neuss and the rolling mill Alunorf next door," continued Ebbesberg.

Hydro began construction on the new major plant in Grevenbroich for lightweight sheet for cars with the traditional ground-breaking ceremony, done by Plant Foreman Dr. Stefan Kästner, Grevenbroich's Mayor Ursula Kwasny, Hydro Executive Ebbesberg, and the Federal Minister, Hermann Gröhe.

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