

greentec steel— OUR PATH TO A GREEN FUTURE

greentec steel is an ambitious and feasible phased plan with which voestalpine can make a valuable contribution to achieving the climate goals.

In a first step starting in 2027, voestalpine will reduce its CO_2 emissions by up to 30% by partially replacing its current coal-based blast furnace technology with electric arc furnace technology powered by green electricity. This represents almost 5% of Austria's entire annual CO_2 emissions, making greentec steel the country's largest climate protection program.

INITIAL MILESTONES

The approval of the EUR 1.5 billion investment in two electric arc furnaces (EAFs) by the voestalpine Supervisory Board in spring 2023 marked the first

important step towards green steel production. Now, the construction of the EAFs has officially been given the go-ahead with the groundbreaking ceremonies that took place in Linz and Donawitz in fall 2023.

Construction work starts in 2024, and one electric arc furnace will go into operation at each of the sites in Linz and Donawitz in 2027. A key prerequisite for implementing this first phase is sufficient availability of green electricity at competitive prices. From 2030, voestalpine plans to take the next big step towards long-term CO_2 -neutral steel production by replacing another blast furnace at each of the sites in Linz and Donawitz.





From 2027, one electric arc furnace at each of the sites in Linz and Donawitz will go into operation, marking an important milestone for greentec steel, Austria's largest climate protection program.

CO₂-NEUTRAL STEEL PRODUCTION BY 2050

voestalpine's long-term aim is CO_2 -neutral steel production by 2050. To this end, the Group is already researching into several new processes, and investing in pilot projects exploring new pathways in steel production. Hydrogen will play an important role here.

QUALITY AND TECHNOLOGY LEADER IN GREEN STEEL

Producing high-quality steel grades while simultaneously reducing emissions is one of the major challenges in the transition to green steel production. With its materials and processing expertise, voestalpine is assuming the quality and technology leadership in this field. The Group supplies its customers with CO_2 -reduced, high-quality premium steel products, allowing them to take a significant step in the sustainable design of their supply chains.

MILESTONES ON THE PATH TO GREEN STEEL PRODUCTION

2022

Supervisory Board gives green light for climate-friendly steel production: start of preliminary work

2023

Supervisory Board approves investment in electric arc furnaces (EAF) in Linz and Donawitz

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the EAFs in Linz and Donawitz

2024

Start of construction for the two electric arc furnaces

2027

Commissioning of one electric arc furnace at each of the sites in Linz and Donawitz

From 2027

Annual production of 2.5 million tons of CO₂-reduced steel

From 2030

Replacing another blast furnace at each of the sites in Linz and Donawitz

2050

Achieving CO₂-neutral steel production



-30%

in CO₂ emissions possible from 2027 through the use of electric arc furnace technology powered by green electricity.

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