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Fives Intralogistics SAS moves to Chasse-sur-Rhône to create a new skills center, a showcase for the industry of the future

Fives Intralogistics SAS, a French subsidiary of the Fives group specializing in the design of automated handling and sorting systems, has moved to a new site in Chasse-sur-Rhône (Isère). This site will be a new skills center for the booming Fives Smart Automation Solutions Division, reflecting the Group's commitments in terms of digitalization and respect for the environment.

A new site for a burgeoning business sector

Fives Intralogistics activity has experienced a boom in recent years, notably driven by the dynamic e-commerce and retail sectors. In a few years, this sector's revenue has increased 6-fold; in 2019, the Fives Smart Automation Solutions Division's turnover represented 32% of the Group's total turnover (€581 million).

This momentum has led to a transfer of the historic Grigny site and the Chaponost workshops to a single, more modern site, which better meets the industry's needs. Over 130 Fives Intralogistics SAS employees now work in Chasse-sur-Rhône, at a site with 2,000 m² (21,500 ft²) of offices and 4,300 m² (46,000 ft²) of workshops.

A skills center for greater agility and customer services

The new site will host a conveyor skills center for the entire Division. The workshop will notably produce a new modular and standardized range of conveyors, EASY-Stream.

A virtual reality room will allow customers to be immersed in a 3D experience of their complete facilities, as well as the entire conveyor range offered by Fives.

Other facilities will supplement this design assistance system: a prototyping and testing area within the workshop, a creativity room and a showroom space.

A real digital showcase for the industry of the future which respects the environment and people

The digital tools will be fully integrated into the building, fostering smoother collaboration and real-time project tracking. For example, touch screens in the workshops will allow operators to track their manufacturing orders or access the latest design office plans.

The site was also designed based on the latest construction standards, which notably reflect efforts to optimize energy efficiency and limit energy consumption. The site also includes 3,500 m² (37,500 ft²) of solar panels, which can produce up to 300 kWp. Finally, 4 parking spaces will be equipped with charging stations for electric vehicles.

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Sébastien Laurent, Executive Director of Fives Intralogistics SAS, commented: *“This is a new chapter in the company's history which reflects our ability to adapt to the industry's challenges. This new working tool will offer employees an improved and more stimulating working environment, and it will allow us to welcome new talent and clients in ideal conditions. The new site, which embodies new ways of working and the new range of EASY-Stream conveyors which will be produced there, support the Group and Division's transformation challenges.”*

This project has the support of the Vienne-Condrieu urban area, certified as an “industrial area”, and the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region.

About Fives

As an industrial engineering Group with a heritage of over 200 years, Fives designs and supplies machines, process equipment and production lines for the world's largest industrial players in various sectors such as steel, aerospace and special machining, aluminum, the automotive and manufacturing industries, cement, energy, logistics and glass.

The effectiveness of its R&D programs enables Fives to design forward-thinking solutions that anticipate industrials' needs in terms of profitability, performance, quality, safety and respect for the environment.

In 2019, Fives achieved a turnover of €1.9 billion and employed close to 8,400 people in around thirty countries.

About the Fives Smart Automation Solutions Division

The Fives Smart Automation Solutions Division has 1,600 employees in Europe, Asia and North America. With an extensive portfolio of proprietary technologies and software for the retail and distribution, courier & postal, e-commerce and general industries markets, Fives Smart Automation Solutions offers high-end automated solutions.

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