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# Press release

## **Świętochłowice plant celebrates 190 years of operation**

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**ArcelorMittal Poland Świętochłowice Unit, former Huta Florian, is famous for producing top-notch flat steel products: galvanized and organically coated steel sheets. Nowadays, it is a cutting-edge and fully modernized production site, which, however faced many problems in its long history. In February the plant celebrates 190 years of operation.**

ArcelorMittal Poland has invested in the plant in total around PLN 150 m, and the major part of this amount was spent on a new modern organic coating line. Thanks to the investment, after 190 years of its existence, in Świętochłowice Unit, high-quality products are now developed and produced, including galvanized and organically coated steel sheets, which can be transformed into many other products, including steel sheet tiles used for roofing houses or into facade steel panels for cladding the facades of industrial buildings, production halls, warehouses and supermarkets.

The plant was founded in 1828 in Świętochłowice, on the site of an old mill bought with the land for 800 thalers. Two years later the production of iron ingots started. The plant has gone through many ownership changes over the 190 years including a period of control by the state and many private entrepreneurs. Today, the plant is a part of ArcelorMittal, the leading steel company in the world, but has not lost its local Silesian character, emphasizes Krzysztof Oleś, plant director. – *Our team is bonded, working side by side every day, supporting one another, just like in a family. Joining the largest steel group in the world resulted in investments and modernization changes, yet we have not forgotten our tradition* – he adds.

The company is actively undertaking and contributing to many regional initiatives, such as “All Together, All Equal”, a cycle of events conducted in July 2017 to consolidate local communities with the aim of helping children with illnesses. In the last years, the company organized up to 60 sessions of corporate volunteering in Świętochłowice.

*- Former Huta Florian remains one of the most important plants in the city and the region. For nearly two centuries, generations of citizens of Świętochłowice have been working here and the plant underwent a major metamorphosis to produce the highest quality steel sheets. At the same time, our employees are uniformly hardworking, diligent and committed. As a mayor of Świętochłowice, it delights me to have in our city such a thriving plant, where high class products are being created. ArcelorMittal*

*Poland Unit in Świętochłowice is also an outstanding example of corporate responsibility, supporting local schools and kindergartens and engaging in many other undertakings in the city – says, Dawid Kostempski, mayor of Świętochłowice.*

ArcelorMittal Poland Unit in Świętochłowice employees over 400 people.

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**About ArcelorMittal Poland**

*ArcelorMittal Poland is the biggest steel producer on the Polish market with about 70% of production capacity of the Polish steel industry. The company consists of five steel plants located in Krakow, Dabrowa Gornicza, Sosnowiec, Swietochlowice and Chorzow. It also owns the largest coke plant in Europe – ZK Zdzieszowice. ArcelorMittal Poland employs over 11,000 people and over 14,000 if subsidiaries are taken into account. The company produces a wide range of long, flat, special and semi products for construction, transport and white goods industries.*

*The company has transformed Polish steelmaking. It has invested PLN 6 bn in modernizing every stage of the production process. Thanks to increasing H&S standards, the company has reduced its accident frequency rate by more than 90 percent. It has decreased the CO2 emissions by 25 percent, thanks to which it has become more environmentally friendly. The company is 1 of 3 companies worldwide able to produce 120 meter rails.*

*ArcelorMittal Poland is consistently engaged in supporting local communities by carrying out educational, health and safety programmes. The company has invested over PLN 16 m in these projects.*

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*ArcelorMittal is the world's leading steel and mining company, with a presence in 60 countries and an industrial footprint in 18 countries. Guided by a philosophy to produce safe, sustainable steel, we are the leading supplier of quality steel in the major global steel markets including automotive, construction, household appliances and packaging, with world-class research and development and outstanding distribution networks.*

*Through our core values of sustainability, quality and leadership, we operate responsibly with respect to the health, safety and wellbeing of our employees, contractors and the communities in which we operate.*

*For us, steel is the fabric of life, as it is at the heart of the modern world from railways to cars and washing machines. We are actively researching and producing steel-based technologies and solutions that make many of the products and components people use in their everyday lives more energy efficient.*

*We are one of the world's five largest producers of iron ore and metallurgical coal. With a geographically diversified portfolio of iron ore and coal assets, we are strategically positioned to serve our network of steel plants and the external global market. While our steel operations are important customers, our supply to the external market is increasing as we grow.*

*In 2016, ArcelorMittal had revenues of \$56.8 billion and crude steel production of 90.8 million tonnes, while own iron ore production reached 55.2 million tonnes.*

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