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Perfect Lacquer for Solar Applications

Inauguration of the Alanod-Solar Factory

This was the motto of the inauguration of Alanod-Solar's new solar factory celebrated in an architecturally demanding hall in Ennepetal on Saturday July 3rd, 2010.

Amongst a number of guests from politics, economy, national and international customers the inauguration of the new lacquering plant / coating plant was celebrated together with the ALANOD-family.

The Alanod-Solar has invested more than 20 million Euro into a state-of-the-art coil-to-coil lacquering plant at the Ennepetal location. This innovative plant is especially intended to produce weather-resistant layers on aluminium for reflective and absorbtive Alanod-Solar semi-finished products used by the solar industry. The lacquering plant has a capacity of approx. 3 million m^2 per year declared Mr.Ingo Beyer, CEO of ALANOD.

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Madam Minister Christa Thoben (Minister of Economic Affairs and Energy of the State North Rhine-Westphalia) praised the operational readiness of Alanod-Solar investing into the solar future and in new jobs even during economically difficult periods.

Keynote speaker Mr.Olivier Drücke (President of the ESTIF) reported about the general situation in the solar market and underlined the enriching effect this Alanod-Solar investment has for the industry. Furthermore Mr.Drücke praised the pioneering spirit of ALANOD for innovations in the field of research and development.

The red ribbon cutting ceremony into the future was performed by Mr.Ingo Beyer/CEO, Madam Minister Christa Thoben and city mayor of Ennepetal Mr.Wilhelm Wiggenhagen.

Thereafter all guests got the unique opportunity to form their own opinion about this imposing plant.

Persons from left to right:
Ingo Beyer • CEO | Managing Director of ALANOD GmbH & Co. KG
Christa Thoben • Minister of Economic Affairs and Energy of the State NRW
Wilhelm Wiggenhagen • Mayor of the city of Ennepetal