

With new plant, Gonvarri responds to the dynamic automotive industry

THE SPANISH COMPANY GONVARRI STEEL SERVICES IS THE WORLD LEADER IN THE AREA OF EXACT 3D LASER CUTTING OF COMPONENTS FOR CAR PRODUCERS. GONVARRI SPREAD ITS FIELD OF ACTIVITY ALSO ONTO THE TERRITORY OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC, WHICH BECAME ONE OF THE 16 COUNTRIES WHERE THIS FAMOUS PRODUCER OPERATES.

The new production facility in Žatec is the final outcome of the EPCm contract, managed by Bilfinger Tebodin. There is a long-term international cooperation and trust between both companies. Gonvarri's satisfaction with earlier collaborations resulted into cross-borders further cooperation of yet another newly plant built in Nitra, Slovakia. 'The main advantage of working with Bilfinger Tebodin is their professional

successfully adopted and dynamically implemented, continuous Ricardo Blanco Alonso. 'Their EPCm expertise enabled us to adjust production premises complying with the changing needs of automotive clients. Their extensive experience in running EPCm projects and the deep knowledge of the entire project lifecycle was of great value.'

We tell what we believe

Besides engineering services, Bilfinger Tebodin also took care of the preparation of documentation for EIA. Also including meetings with relevant authorities, answering questions and defending calculations, noise and dispersion studies; the whole environmental process. It was the permitting process and being compliant with all legislative requirements that Gonvarri perceived as the biggest challenge.



Catalin Bucura, Project Manager

'We never tell our clients what they want to hear. Although this sometimes upsets them at first glance, added value is seen shortly and appreciated. We always tell what we believe is best for the project within the given constraints', says Catalin Bucura, Project Manager of Bilfinger Tebodin, 'In terms of expertise and knowledge, Gonvarri is a highly skilled and experienced client, so they appreciate our approach', explains Catalin the mutual satisfaction. Premises for future cooperation are hence accomplished so that one more contract for building another plant, this time in Nitra in Slovakia came into place. ■



experience in the area of both building planning and technology production design', says Ricardo Blanco Alonso, International Manager for Construction at Gonvarri.

Changing requirements

Original requirements were changed several times, in order to accommodate the dynamic behaviour of the automotive industry. 'Changes were always

The new plant in Žatec, with a total area of 7.64 hectares, is specialized in exact laser 3D cutting of metal components on one side, and a special blanking line on the other side. The facility is supposed to bring 200 new jobs to the region. Parts of the plants have been in use since 2015.

Gonvarri's production plant in the Triangle Industrial Zone is already the third new plant in a row Bilfinger Tebodin was involved in. The same successful approach is used in the realization of new plants for Kiswire and Gestamp.