

# Wieland invests in a state-of-the-art copper recycling center in Germany

- Investment of €80 million at existing plant in Vöhringen, Germany
- Support of Wieland's strategy to provide products with the lowest carbon footprint in the industry
- Major step towards sustainability goals of decarbonization and circular economy

Wieland announced today an investment of €80 million in a new copper recycling center at its main German production site in Vöhringen. The addition of approximately 80 kt of annual recycling capacity represents a significant next step in the company's strategy to expand its recycling capabilities worldwide. With operations planned to commence at the beginning of 2025, Wieland's rate of recycled content will reach an average of 80% worldwide.

By implementing state-of-the-art technology and electrifying process steps that are typically gas fired, Wieland will be able to further reduce its product carbon footprint significantly. Consequently, customers will benefit from products with the highest rate of recycled content and the lowest carbon footprint (Scope 1, 2 and 3) in the industry.

Dr. Erwin Mayr, CEO of Wieland said, "The new facility marks the next important milestone on our global sustainability roadmap and brings us closer to reaching our ambitious goals in the area of decarbonization and in enabling a truly circular economy. Furthermore, the new recycling facility will create additional futureoriented jobs for Vöhringen, underlining the importance of our globally largest production site with more than 2,000 employees."

In June 2022, Wieland broke ground for a copper recycling facility in Shelbyville, Kentucky (USA), with operations to commence by the end of 2023.

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The recycling center reinforces Wieland's contribution to a circular economy

#### About Wieland

Wieland is one of the world's leading suppliers of semi-finished copper and copper alloy products. With a global network of production sites, service, and trading companies, the company offers a broad product, technology, and service portfolio. From prototype to series production, Wieland develops solutions for automotive, electronics, refrigeration, air conditioning, and other industries. Wieland uses high-performance copper materials to drive the success of its B2B customers in future-oriented fields such as electromobility, connectivity, and urbanization. High technical competence, customer-oriented thinking, and sustainability determine their actions and have been the basis of the company's success since 1820.

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#### Wieland in brief

#### Headquarter

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#### Facts

\*1820 in Ulm, Germany | Sales: 748 kt | Turnover: appr. 5.4 bn. € | Locations: 80 | Employees appr. 8000 [FY20/21 figures of the Wieland Group]

#### **Executive Board**

Dr. Erwin Mayr, CEO | Gregor Tschernjavski, CFO

#### Chairman of the Supervisory Board

Fritz-Jürgen Heckmann

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