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JAF: New, fully automated furniture parts production line enters service

Stockerau. J. u. A. Frischeis (JAF) has now transformed its furniture parts production line in Stockerau into an end-to-end, fully automated facility. This future-oriented investment consolidates the role of this timber and wood-based materials wholesaler in the area of production. State-of-the-art machines ensure top quality when processing customised furniture components.

As a wholesaler for timber and wood-based products, JAF offers not only a wide selection of different boards and panels but also cutting and edging solutions at its processing centres throughout Austria. Experience gained in the course of numerous successfully processed orders, changing customer requirements and constantly developing digitalisation and technological processes are all driving change. That's why the expansion of JAF's in-house furniture parts production represents a major step in the direction of a service-oriented future.

"In recent years, we have been responding to customer requirements and have established ourselves as an extended workbench for many cabinetmakers and carpenters. Our new production line means that we can now serve these growing needs even better. Besides the significant increase in capacity and shorter turnaround times, we have also significantly improved production quality," explains Werner Stix, CEO of the JAF Group.

Trend-setting investment

JAF was early in responding to the accelerating pace of change in the wood-processing sector through its production of furniture components. The company has become an extended workbench for cabinetmakers and carpenters by offering various processing services. The commissioning of the fully automated furniture production line means that this offering has been considerably expanded. Ready-to-assemble furniture components are manufactured to top quality standards on the latest machinery and mean a significant increase in production capacity. Reference milling on the edging machine delivers components with higher levels of accuracy in terms of their dimensions and right angles. The latest generation of PU gluing, either white or transparent, ensures the usual level of effectiveness when sealing edges and horizontal six-sided drilling and milling is the key to optimal processing options.

Technology from HOMAG

The company relied on an existing partnership to install the new machinery: HOMAG had already provided JAF with the equipment needed for the first generation of furniture parts production and was called on again to supply the machinery required for this fully integrated production line. This entails an automatic production control system behind the scenes which controls the entire production chain. Integrated with various JAF online tools, this system keeps everything in motion — from the setup work, the process management and sharing of production data to the ready-to-ship picking of the goods.

About J. u. A. Frischeis (JAF)

The JAF Group, known in Austria as J. u. A Frischeis, is one of Europe's leading suppliers of timber and wood-based materials. 56 sites on two continents: JAF has established itself as a strong partner to the wood processing trade, the construction industry and retailers, and is already the market leader in Austria, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary and Croatia. This tradition-rich company can draw on seven decades of experience, a comprehensive network of branches in Central Europe, the outstanding expertise of its employees as well as an extensive and diverse product range: This portfolio encompasses 83,000 products, of which more than 20,000 are permanently stocked. Through its top-performance logistics and numerous digital solutions, JAF guarantees maximum flexibility and modern service.

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