

Mengtai Group Completes Acquisition of Alu Menziken, Reinforcing Position in European Aluminum Industry

Düsseldorf, 13. November 2024 – Mengtai Group proudly announces the acquisition of Alu Menziken Extrusion AG. This acquisition further establishes Mengtai's commitment to becoming a premier player in Europe's aluminum sector by combining Alu Menziken's deep expertise in lightweight solutions with the apt Group's renowned capabilities in the European aluminum market. This acquisition, achieved through Mengtai Germany GmbH, a wholly-owned subsidiary, strengthens Mengtai's presence in the aluminum industry and opens new channels for innovation in sustainable, high-performance aluminum solutions.

Background on Mengtai Group

Founded in 2001 in Ordos, Inner Mongolia, Mengtai Group has risen to prominence as one of the top private industrial conglomerates in China. With diversified operations across coal, energy, and aluminum, Mengtai is strategically focused on expanding its aluminum production, boasting an annual capacity of 500,000 tons. This acquisition aligns with Mengtai's long-term vision of global growth, particularly in downstream aluminum processing, and supports its aim to build high-quality, sustainable supply chains for critical industries.

Background on Alu Menziken and apt Group

Established in 1897, Alu Menziken has been a trusted name in lightweight aluminum manufacturing, known for innovations in e-battery systems, structural components, and crash management solutions. With facilities in Switzerland, Austria, and Romania, Alu Menziken serves top-tier clients across automotive, construction, and industrial sectors, offering expertise in extrusion, surface treatment, and precision engineering.

Similarly, apt Group has become one of the leading aluminum processing companies in Europe, with four production sites in Germany, the Netherlands, and the Czech Republic. Known for its commitment to the entire value chain, apt Group provides customers in the automotive, construction, transportation, and industry sectors with an integrated range of services from extrusion to finished component assembly.

Together with Mengtai, both groups are poised to reinforce their strategic reach and capitalize on new opportunities across Europe and beyond.

Statements from Leadership

Ao Bo, Vice Chairman of Mengtai Group, remarks, "The acquisition of Alu Menziken represents our commitment to becoming the most trusted partner in the aluminium industry across Europe. This unification of our resources allows us to offer robust, end-to-end aluminium solutions, from raw materials to complex product applications. We are deeply grateful to all employees, partners, and customers for their trust as we embark on this new and promising chapter together."

Michael Zint, CEO of apt Group, adds, "The integration of Alu Menziken is a transformative step for us. We are now in an even stronger position to serve our clients by delivering

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innovative and sustainable aluminium solutions that meet the highest standards. With Mengtai Group’s support, we look forward to building a shared future defined by growth, excellence, and meaningful partnerships.”

Markus Adams, CEO of the Alu Menziken Group, comments: “Through the acquisition of the Alu Menziken Group by the Mengtai Group, our strategic opportunities as part of a global company have significantly increased. Under the umbrella of the growth-oriented Mengtai Group, we can expand our global presence together with apt and provide enhanced support to customers both within and outside Europe with service and product solutions.”

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About apt:

The apt Group is one of the leading companies in the European aluminum industry. It produces, processes, and sells aluminum profiles and products for the construction, transport, automotive, and industrial sectors. The group is active at four production sites in Germany, the Netherlands, and the Czech Republic.

apt covers the entire aluminum processing value chain - from development, recycling, extrusion, mechanical processing, and surface finishing (anodizing and powder coating) to assembly and logistics. With around 1,000 employees, the apt Group generates an annual turnover of approximately 300 million euros.

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