

CNIM helps the world's leading brick supplier to improve its energy efficiency

Using the heat recovery system developed by CNIM will allow the Austrian company Wienerberger to save the equivalent of 500 kW of gas to preheat the drying kiln in its Linz plant

The Austrian Wienerberger Group, the world's leading brick supplier and Europe's largest tile maker, has awarded a consortium led by CNIM a turnkey contract to manufacture and install a heat recovery system in one of its plants. This is a pilot project for the Group, which is looking to optimize costs and improve its energy efficiency.

The CNIM group was chosen by Wienerberger to equip one of its plants in the Linz region of Austria with a complete heat recovery system. Developed by CNIM in close collaboration with Wienerberger, this system, which is based on an original heat absorption pump design, allows energy lost in the form of hot exhaust air from the dryer to be recovered. **This will enable Wienerberger to save the equivalent of 500 kW of gas** to pre-heat the dryer.

With 202 production sites in 30 countries worldwide, Wienerberger had revenues of €2.9 billion in 2015. The group also has a strong commitment to sustainable development and is keen to optimize its energy consumption and improve the energy efficiency of its production sites.

Mobilizing CNIM's technical expertise and industrial know-how

"This success demonstrates our ability to support our customers throughout their energy transition projects, both through the relevance of our offering and the skills of our teams, who are able to offer innovative solutions" explains François-Xavier Catelan, Director of the Thermal Systems business line of CNIM Industrial Systems.

CNIM's cooling unit and heat pump offering, acquired through the purchase of INVEN's activity in this area in 2014, solves the issues of energy efficiency in many sectors, including Oil & Gas, petrochemicals, chemicals, energy generation and shipbuilding.

This turnkey offering incorporating design, equipment manufacture and maintenance services, complements those offered by the various units and subsidiaries of the CNIM Group: heat process engineering, waste-to-energy, biomass-to-energy, flue-gas treatment and refurbishment of thermal power plants and industrial boiler houses.

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CNIM develops, designs and manufactures turnkey industrial solutions with high technological content and provides expertise, services and operating capability in areas related to the Environment, Energy, Defense and High Tech Industries. CNIM runs projects and markets equipment throughout the world. CNIM is backed by a stable family shareholding that guarantees its development. The Group employs 3,000 members of staff and had revenues in 2015 of €727.0 million, 61.3% of which was for export. CNIM is listed on the Euronext Paris stock exchange.

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