

PRESS RELEASE

PRESIDER (FERALPI GROUP) OPENS THE NEW NAVE FACILITY

***Investments of more than €7 million for new technologies and impact reduction
More profiled steel for large infrastructure projects***

Nave (Brescia), 10 June 2023 – A new facility in Nave for Presider to process steel destined for infrastructure projects. Over €7 million invested to fully revamp the production facility, which covers a total area of approximately 26,000 m² (14,000 of which is covered), and new equipment for profiling and assembling steel structures.

Thanks to this new equipment setup, which is continuing the area's steelmaking tradition, production capability in Nave can exceed 35,000 tonnes/year, with the aim of doubling that figure in the coming years, partially due to the marked acceleration of the National Recovery and Resilience Plan.

Presider, which has been part of the Feralpi Group since 2015, is expanding to extend its Northern Italy network by integrating the branches in Borgaro Torinese (TO), Pomezia (Rome) and Saint-Souplet (Paris), where it operates as Presider Armatures to support large projects in the French market.

*"It's taken over two years to transform the Nave business, which is now ready, under the guidance of Presider to process Feralpi steel for large international infrastructure projects", commented **Giuseppe Pasini, Chairman of the Feralpi Group**. "Verticalisation is part of our business model to add value along supply chains, as is the development of best industrial practices based on social and environmental sustainability. Here in Nave we wanted to continue the manufacturing tradition in a facility that has always had steel in its blood, but by interpreting the wealth of expertise in terms of the future, with innovation, safety, automation and efficiency at the fore".*

*"Presider represents a strategic link within the construction chain, and has indeed been so in recent years in Italy and in Europe, with infrastructure projects having had to evolve in terms of durability, quality, safety, and of course sustainability", underlined **Maurizio Fusato, the company's managing director**. "The entire supply chain must take a leap forward with regard to skills and technologies, with modern facilities for example, such as the one we're opening today, where steel can be safely processed and assembled for just-in-time site installation. This is a commitment which will be appreciated on the market, because it's the only way to enable the implementation of infrastructure within planned timescales while simultaneously accelerating a reduction in CO₂ emissions along the entire value chain."*

This was the strategy underpinning the process for quantifying direct and indirect emissions resulting from Presider products, by calculating the carbon footprint, with the aim of implementing targeted actions to further reduce their impact.



Investments also included a recently-installed photovoltaic system, which extends over 6000 m² and can generate more than 1200 MWh of renewable electricity, an amount that exceeds the facility's requirements. The remaining energy will be transferred to Feralpi, which has the increasing use of self-produced green energy in its own decarbonisation strategy.

Both companies are therefore part of a climate management plan that is in line with Feralpi's ESG strategy, with the aim of achieving the objectives set out in the European Green Deal initiative in terms of decarbonisation by 2030.

Presider

Since 1985, it has been one of the leaders in the supply and the installation of pre-shaped rebar for reinforced concrete, as well as standard and cut-to-size welded mesh. With four production sites in Borgaro Torinese (Turin), Nave (Brescia), Pomezia (Rome), Saint-Soupplets (Paris with Presider Armatures) and a yearly production capacity of 240,000 tonnes of pre-shaped and ready-assembled product, Presider has a strong foothold in both national and international markets. Being part of the Feralpi Group is a guarantee of an end-to-end production process that is controlled at every step and offers a high-profile tailor-made service. Presider's solutions speed up the potential of green building also thanks to the Feralpi Group's steel processing, which recovers and converts scrap iron into premium quality certified steel products (EPD, Carbon Footprint).

The Feralpi Group

The Feralpi Group is one of the leading steel producers in Europe (€1.93bn turnover in 2021, with over 1850 direct employees in 2022 in 7 countries) and specializes in the production of steels for both construction and special applications. From the parent company Feralpi Siderurgica, founded in 1968 in Lonato del Garda (Brescia), a path of growth has given rise to an international, diversified and verticalized Group upstream and downstream of the production and marketing chain.

Feralpi's mission is not only to rank among the international leaders in the steel sector, setting standards of excellence in the industry through technological innovation, sustainability and talent development, but it also aims to produce the very best steel for construction and mechanical engineering in the most sustainable way possible, thus contributing to the economic and social progress of communities, the enhancement of the local area and to the wellbeing of workers, while engaging in the transition towards more inclusive, efficient and environmentally friendly development models.

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