

## ArcelorMittal has again shown its faith in Forni Industriali Bendotti: two new furnaces ordered

This is the third order in 6 years by ArcelorMittal. The furnaces will go into operation in 2019 in Contrecœur (Canada). Prefabrication, reliability and profitability are the key points

"If ArcelorMittal has chosen two new Bendotti furnaces, it's precisely because they ARE Bendotti furnaces."

Costa Volpino (Bergamo), 30 May 2018 - **ArcelorMittal**, the world's biggest steel group, with an annual production capacity of 113 million tons of steel, **has chosen Forni Industriali Bendotti**, for the sixth time, to supply **two new reheating furnaces**.

BENDOTTI FURNACES - **ArcelorMittal Long Products Canada** has signed a contract with Forni Industriali Bendotti for the construction of a made-to-measure, turnkey project, **walking beam furnace with a capacity of 130 metric tons per hour**, which will supply the **existing rebar and SBQ rolling mill** for the West plant at Contrecœur (about 60 kms north of Montreal). The start-up is planned for **June 2019**.

The company, belonging to ArcelorMittal and specialised in the production of semi-finished steel products, has also ordered a second furnace. It is a Bendotti walking beam furnace with a capacity of 130 metric tons per hour. In this case the furnace will supply the existing wire rod rolling mill for the East plant at Contrecœur. The start-up is planned for **December 2019**.

The walking beam has been the most popular choice since Bendotti started to prefabricate this type of furnace. **Prefabrication has been Bendotti's prerogative since 1967**: it is a highly valuable construction method that has allowed the Italian company to acquire a position of leadership in the sector.

BENDOTTI PREFABRICATION - ArcelorMittal is already using five furnaces with the Bendotti trademark. The first in Canada was commissioned in 2012 in the ArcelorMittal Long Products Canada plant in Longueuil, while the last, a car bottom furnace, was ordered by ArcelorMittal Industeel (France) and delivered in 2016.

"In its specifications, the world's biggest steel manufacturer explicitly asked for completely prefabricated furnaces, like the first one we built in Canada in 2012. Bendotti prefabrication is a unique method globally recognised for its efficiency and cost savings even at the start-up stage," said Forni Industriali Bendotti CEO, Michele Bendotti.

Over the years, in different industrial situations and completely different climates, ArcelorMittal has therefore been able to test the reliability of the specific design, the prefabrication, the erection, the function and the profitability of Bendotti's furnaces. This quality has led to a new agreement of trust, for the sixth time and with a double order, with Forni Industriali Bendotti. Out of 8 furnaces ordered from Bendotti in the last three years, 7 have been ordered by well-established clients.

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