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SDF INAUGURATES THE NEW PRODUCTION LINES IN TURKEY

The inauguration of the new SDF production lines in Turkey took place in Bandirma on Friday 3rd May. The renovated and upgraded facility reinforces the role of the Turkish factory as a production hub serving domestic, European and worldwide markets.

A total investment of 10 million Euros was made to the plant over a period of 18 months which involved various important areas:

- A new production building of 10,000 m² in addition to the existing facility reaching a total covered area of 27,360 m².
- An additional and modern paint shop, which allows double the production capacity.
- A new transmission assembly line and test bench, which allows SDF to be able to localise the production of core components, improving the competitiveness of our products.
- The new spare parts warehouse, that will assure availability of the parts, reducing the delivery time to the markets.
- An SDF Academy, to train not only the Turkish dealers and customers, but also the ones coming from other markets in that geographical area.

The renewed plant has now a production capacity of 15,000 tractors per year.

“In the last part of 2018, the Turkish economy started to face difficulties and also the first months of 2019 are not showing improvements. Nevertheless - stated Lodovico Bussolati, Chief Executive Officer of SDF - our investment in Turkey is part of a long view strategy and the actual market situation is giving us an even stronger commitment to go on in our Turkish project and to reinforce our presence here.”



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- The inauguration ceremony in the presence of Aldo Carozza, Vice Chairman of the Supervisory Board of SDF, and Lodovico Bussolati, CEO of SDF - involved over 300 people including workers, employees, management and dealers of SDF in Turkey.
- The production site, transmission assembly line, parts warehouse.





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About SDF:

SDF, whose main headquarters is in Treviglio (BG), is one of the world's leading manufacturers of tractors, harvesters and diesel engines. Its products are distributed under the brands SAME, DEUTZ-FAHR, Lamborghini Trattori, Hürlimann and Grégoire. The tractor range is offered with powers from 25 to 336 HP, while the harvester range comes with powers up to 395 HP.

SDF has 8 production plants, 12 commercial branches, 2 joint ventures, 155 importers and over 3,100 dealers worldwide and a global workforce of more than 4,200 employees. In 2018, the company recorded a turnover of €1,373 milion, with an EBITDA of 9%.

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