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Vestas inaugurates new facilities of control systems production unit in Spain

On 15 October 2008 at 12:00 a.m., Vestas will officially celebrate the completion of the new factory buildings of its Control Systems production unit in Olvega in Castilla y León in Spain.

Around 250 guests have been invited to the inauguration, including Gerardo Martínez Martínez, Mayor of Olvega Municipality, and Carlos Martín Tobalina, General Director of Industry of the Government of Castilla y León. Rocío García García, Vice President, Factory Manager of Vestas Control Systems Spain, Bjarne Ravn Sørensen, President of Vestas Control Systems A/S, and Enric Catala Roig, Sales Manager of Vestas Iberia, will also be present along with the employees of the factory and business relations.

Vestas has invested EUR 10m to build the new installations on a plot of land located only 2 km from the original buildings. In five years, Vestas Control Systems in Spain has extended from 2,700 square-metres to a total of 28,000 square-metres, including production, warehouse and offices. In 2003, Vestas started the production of control systems in Spain with 10 employees and by the end of 2009, the control systems factory in Olvega in Soria will employ 140 people.

“Since Vestas decided to build a Control Systems factory in Ólvega in 2006, Vestas has received a lot of support from all the stakeholders in the municipality and the Community of Castilla y León. In strengthening its market position in Spain and in the countries within the region covered by Vestas Mediterranean, Vestas will continue to support the creation of local jobs and the economic development in the region,” says Rocío García García, VP, Factory Manager of Vestas Control Systems Spain.

“In 2007, Spain was the third largest market in the world in terms of accumulated wind installed capacity and the second largest market in Europe. With a total installed capacity of more than 2,800 MW¹ as per 1 January 2008, the Autonomous Community of Castilla y León was ranking third in the country. The extended Control Systems factory will help to maintain a sustainable growth in the wind industry in Castilla y León and in Spain in the coming years,” says Miguel Picardo, General Manager of Vestas Iberia.

The ceremony will be opened with speeches of Vestas Management and local authorities and it will be followed by a guided tour of the factory².

¹ Source: www.aeeolica.es

² According to Vestas' policy, filming and photographing inside Vestas' production facilities is not allowed.

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