

Corporate News

centrotherm books new order for extensive technology and equipment package for Chinese customer

Blaubeuren, July 2, 2014 – With the signing of a supply agreement for a technology and systems package worth a total of around EUR 15 million, centrotherm reports its largest single order in its Photovoltaic & Semiconductor segment since the new investment cycle started in December 2013. The production systems and the process technology will be shipped to Xian to Chinese customer Shaanxi Non-ferrous Photovoltaic Technology Co., Ltd. (Youser Group) from October 2014. The package comprises the complete equipping of a 380 megawatt (MW) production line for multi-crystalline solar cells with centrotherm PECVD systems, and a part of the production capacity with diffusion systems. Equally, centrotherm will supply the customer with all annealing systems for the 120 MW mono-solar cell line. In a further step, Shaanxi Non-ferrous Photovoltaic Technology Co., Ltd. is planning to expand its solar cell production capacity to 1 gigawatt.

"With this order, we are underpinning our leading market position as a technology and systems supplier for the photovoltaic industry," is how Dr. Josef Haase describes the latest sales success in a competitive PV market, before adding: "In the case of the PECVD and annealing process steps, with our technology we have achieved a 100 percent success rate in prevailing over our competitors."

About centrotherm photovoltaics AG

centrotherm has been developing and realizing innovative thermal solutions for over 50 years. As a leading and globally operating technology group, we offer production solutions for the photovoltaic, semiconductor and microelectronic industries.

The continuous further development of our successful solutions in thermal processing and coating, such as for manufacturing crystalline solar cells and power semiconductors, form the basis for our successful partnerships with industry, research and development.

Our customers worldwide appreciate our production systems' process stability, scalability and availability in mass production. Above and beyond this, our work is distinguished by the fact that we create high-end process technology solutions which are specific for our customers and tailored to their requirements, and the fact that we are outstanding in system building.

We jointly confront the daily challenges of setting new trends, maximizing the efficiency of producing, for example, solar cells and semiconductors, and, coupled with our long machine durations, of securing investments.

In this way, we generate valuable competitive advantages for our customers through targeted innovations to processes and production solutions.

Our around 800 staff worldwide are committed to the further development of high-tech solutions for key markets.

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