

# LIBERTY OSTRAVA A.S. TRUSTED USER OF AIR, LAND AND WATER



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#### A member of the GFG Alliance



- **GFG Alliance:** A global grouping of independent businesses with a focus on natural resources, renewable energy, metal manufacture and engineering. Supported by financial, property and educational resources.
- Vision: an economically and environmentally sustainable future for industry as a foundation for a stronger and more prosperous society.
- **Synergy:** seven pillars working together to deliver competitive and resilient business model

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### **About Liberty Steel**



- Liberty is an integrated **steel and mining business**, with capabilities ranging from liquid steel making from raw and recycled materials through to high-value precision engineered products and associated services, sold around the world.
- Operating across 30+ countries internationally
- Part of GFG Alliance with global turnover of US\$20bn
- Total steel rolling capacity of 18m tonnes
- Customers range from the steel making processing and distribution industries to automotive, aerospace, construction, oil and gas, marine, power generation, general engineering, motorsport, white and yellow goods, agriculture and mining.



### Key facts and figures





#4 largest steel manufacturer in Europe

#1 steel supplier to engineering, construction, residential and non-residential projects in Australia



#1 agricultural steel fence brand in the USA



Only
producer of large diameter pipe in the UK

#### **Every 3 seconds**

undercarriages manufactured by the Alliance land a civil aircraft round the globe

100%

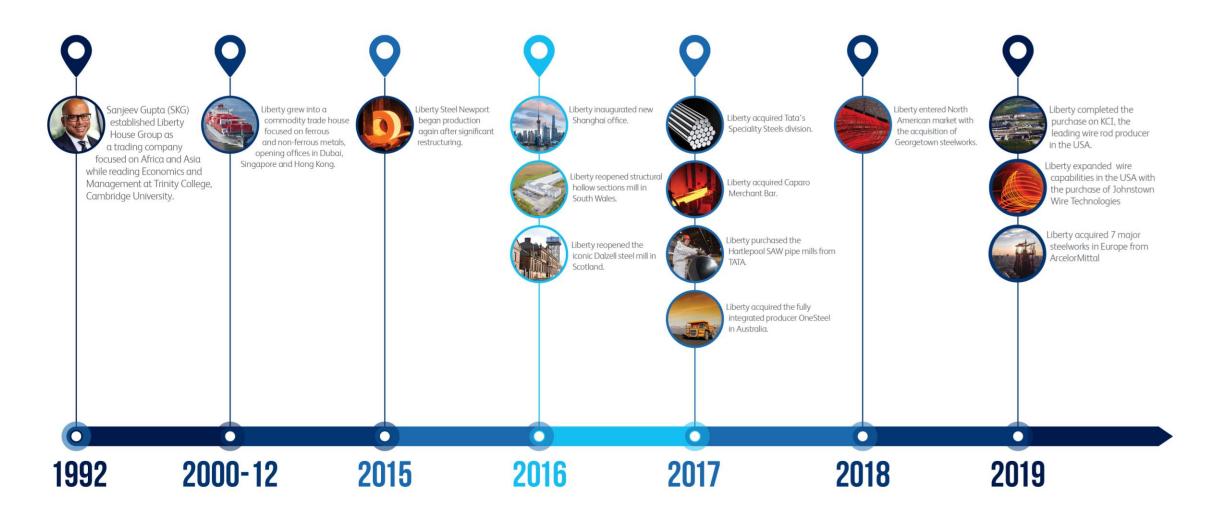
American made producer of steel and fabricated steel products





### **History of Liberty Steel**













#### **Strategic Priorities**

#### Mission

Through steelmaking be a partner of choice for employees, customers and local communities.

#### Vision

Make Liberty Ostrava a leading producer of high quality, green steel.

#### Our principles





Health & Safety

Our People



Community





Respect for the environment

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Customer oriented approach

These principles are aligned with the global values set by the GFG Alliance:

Family

Sustainability

Change

#### Become a benchmark in Safety and Environmental performance

No compromise on safety

#### Key initiatives:

- · Improve safety through training
- · Increase automation & digitization
- Develop new, innovative products such as road safety systems

Leverage the circular economy around steel

#### Key initiatives:

- · Hybrid steelmaking technology
- · Alternative fuel & energy efficiency
- · By-product valorization

#### Be a regional supplier of choice and a strong social partner

Strengthen customer service and quality of products

#### Key initiatives:

- · Strengthen our commercial network
- Proactively develop quality as per future market demand
- Wider product portfolio for construction, industry and transport

Robust partnerships with local and regional communities

#### Key initiatives:

- Support technical education and collaboration with R&D centres
- · GFG Academy
- Support for cultural and social sphere

#### Agile and flexible business model driving profitability across business cycles

Progressive and flexible producer of competitive and quality products

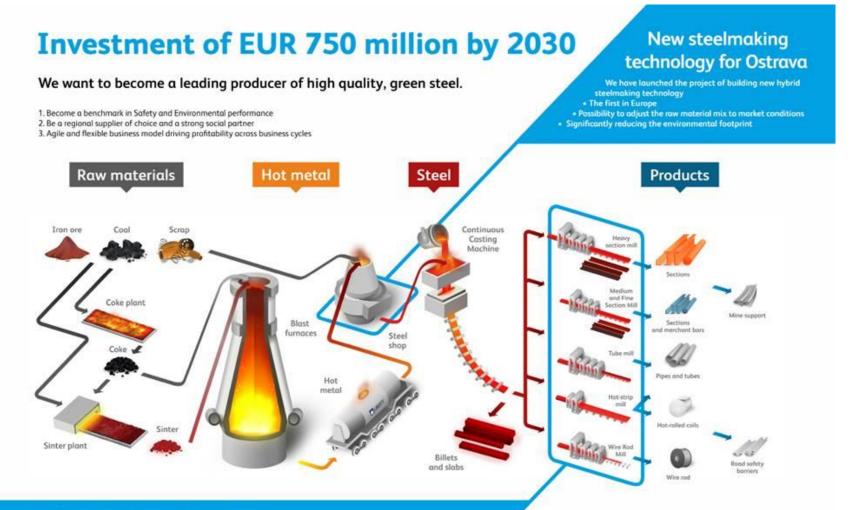
#### Key initiatives:

- · Innovation in steelmaking
- · Rolling mills modernisation
- Cost optimization & flexibility in operation



### New strategy for 2030 year





#### Modernisation of rolling mills

- To improve the quality of products and optimize customer service
- . To become more competitive on the difficult steel market in open Europe

Through this substantial investment package we are preparing LIBERTY Ostrava to become a regional champion in steel production and kick starting its journey towards carbon neutrality, which GFG aims to achieve by 2030. Our focus is on investing in the latest technology for steel-making and rolling to ensure LIBERTY Ostrava is competitive and sustainable over the long term, so it can reinvest and continue to provide high quality local employment for generations to come.

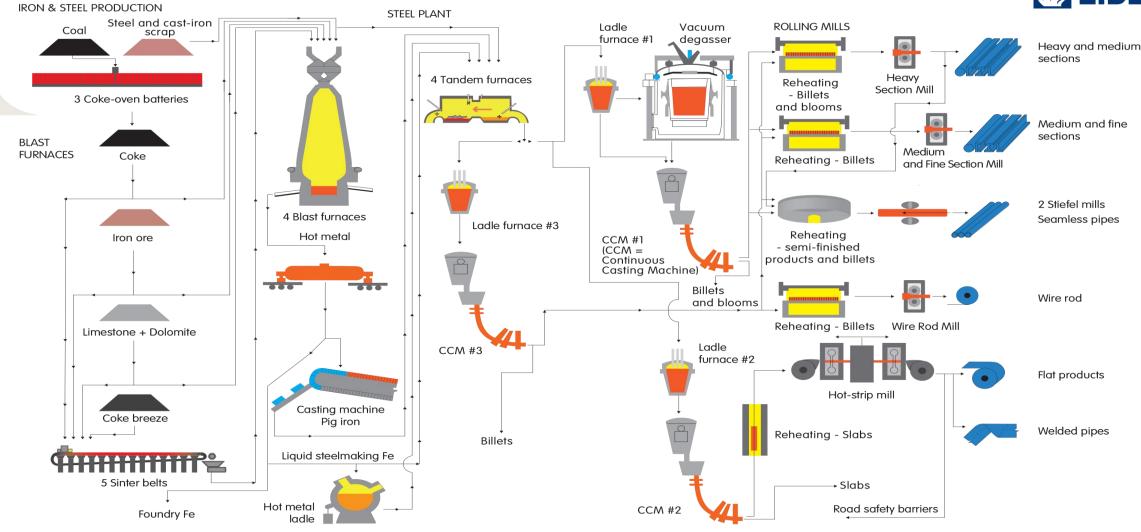
### Liberty Ostrava is an integrated steel producer





### Production Flow of LIBERTY Ostrava





### Liberty Ostrava - Modern steel producer



The largest steelmaker in Czech Republic

Nearly 80 % of the Czech safety barriers comes from Liberty Ostrava

#### **Annual steel production:**

2,4 million tons

#### **Annual capacity of production:**

3 million tons

Number of employees: 7 100





#### **GREENSTEEL Strategy**



- 1) Implementation of **environmental management systems** including ISO 14001 certification for all production facilities;
- 2) **Compliance** with all relevant environmental laws and regulations, and other company commitments;
- 3) **Continuous improvement** in environmental performance, taking advantage of systematic monitoring and aiming at pollution prevention;
- 4) Development, improvement and application of low impact, **environmental** production methods taking benefit of locally available raw materials;
- 5) Development and manufacture of **environmentally friendly products** focusing on their use and subsequent recycling;
- 6) Efficient use of **natural resources**, **energy and land**;
- 7) Management and reduction where technically and economically feasible of the CO, footprint of steel production;
- 8) **Employee commitment** and responsibility in environmental performance;
- 9) **Supplier and contractor awareness** and respect of ArcelorMittal's environmental policy;
- 10) **Open communication** and dialogue with all stakeholders affected by ArcelorMittal's operations.



### Modern steel producer



#### • Our products:

- Road safety barriers
- Seamless and welded pipes
- Sheets
- Wire rods
- Mining support
- Merchant bars
- Steel profiles
- Finishing railway wheel sets
- Steel castings



### Responsible environmental protection





### **Environmental protection**



- Environmental protection must be perceived as a whole called integrated approach.
- In the Czech Republic, the environmental legislation of the European Union and national legislation where apply.
- The main legislation is the Industrial Emissions Directive, the BAT conclusions and the Integrated Prevention Act
- We focus on all areas of the environment, mainly to:
  - Waste management
  - Water management
  - Plant care and green maintenance
  - Air protection

#### Waste reduction

**LIBERTY** 

- Reducing the volume of by-products and waste from production is the goal of our company
- We are looking for ways to reuse waste:
  - Some high-volume wastes and by-products are certified as products
  - We reuse many by-products directly in our production
- Can we reduce waste production?
  - 2000 waste generation: 834 332 tones
  - 2021 waste generation: 176 364 tones





(Example of recycling)



During rolling operation was origin oil-contaminated scale and scale sludge (in LO and sub.approximately 10 thou t/year). This metal-bearing material (Fe content is about 70%) used to be processed as a part of sinter plant charge. Due to installation dedusting system at sintering plant (electrostatic precipitators) it was not possible to process this material anymore (fire risk). Limit oil content still enabling to process scale and scale sludge at sintering plant was set as 0.3 mass %. In case the oil content exceeded this limit, this material had to be handled as hazardous waste and it was not possible to reuse like secondary-raw material.

This fact meant substantial financial loss for LO resulting from the fees to be paid for waste disposal (approximately 240 USD/t in 2009) and replacement of the feedstock (approximately 75 USD/t). That is why the decision was taken to build up a technology to utilize oil from scales.

Technology was developed and realized by R&D of AMO, cooperating with company VUCHZ Brno, research was start at 1997, standard operation was start at 1999.





Main operational data:

Capacity: 20 000 tons/year

Operating temperature: less than 500°C

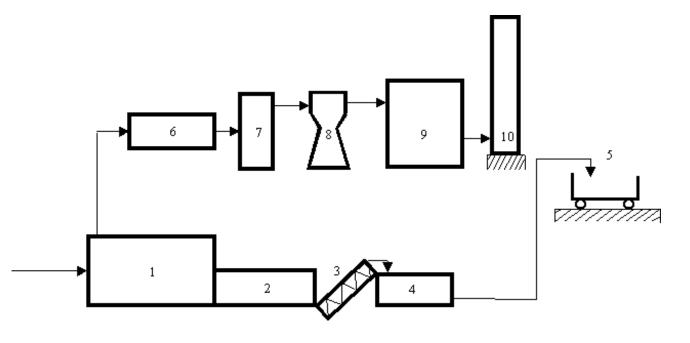
Oil contents after operation: less than 0,1 mass%

Collected dust is mix with product

Operating costs: app. 70 USD/ton

Diagram of equipment:





1 - Rotary dryer

2 - Cooler

3 – Conveyer

4 - Homogenising unit

5 – Rail wagon

6 – Post-combustion chamber

7 - Cooler

8 – Cyclone (1. dedusting)

9 – Bag Filter (2.dedusting)

10 – Chimney



#### Innovation character:

- new device NTD developed by own R&D dep.
- no waste, environmental friendly
- deoiling mill scale substitute iron ore on the sintering plant (save 70USD/ton)
- saving for no disposal dangerous waste to the landfill

#### Corporate responsibility benefits:

Compliance with permit - Sustainability of activities - Better image

Actual implementation CAPEX costs, including costs of construction of a chimney and a building (1.9 mil USD) the procurement costs of this technology are approximately 4 mil USD. Payback period of the technology operated in the Czech Republic is less than three years (savings of 170 USD/t at waste generation of 10 thou t/year).

Replicability: The process is fully replicable; no barrier or obstacle identified, can utilize oily millscale from external comp.







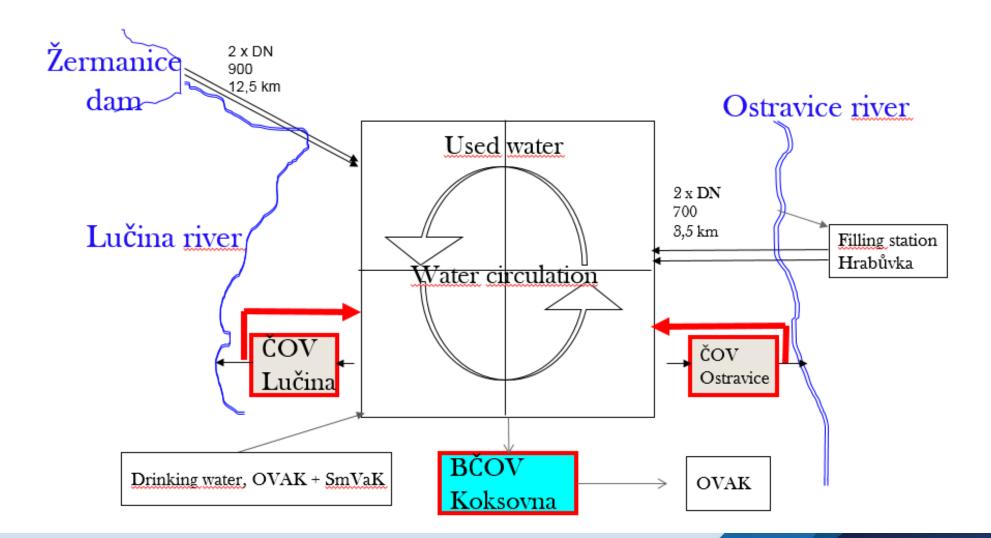






#### Water management





ČOV = WWTP

#### Water management

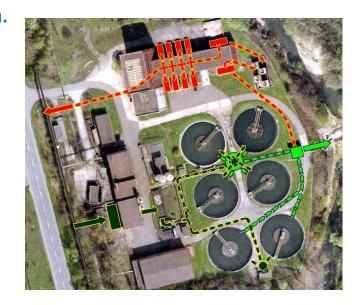


- 3 types of water in LO production activity
  - drinking water
  - utility water
  - operational auxiliary water
- All waste water is discharged into a single corporate sewer system that ends with sewage treatment plants
- The Wastewater Treatment Plant technology allows part of the treated waste water to return to the water distribution system for further use.
- LO runs three end-of-site WWTPs

Total yearly need water 211 125 007 m<sup>3</sup>

Most water circuits are closed, only refilling the water consumed, e.g., due to evaporation.

Total yearly water consumption 16 748 389 m<sup>3</sup>



## Modernization of recycling waste water at WWTP





Operations whose waste water enters the Lučina WWTP

- Blast furnaces
- Sinter plants
- Steel plant
- Coke plant
- Tubular plant
- Rolling mills
- Heating plant

The maximum hydraulic capacity of Lučina WWTP is 1,200 l/s

The maximum recirculation capacity is 350 l/s

### Water savings



	Before	After	Unit of measure
Annual water consumption in LO	19,5	19,5	mn.mil. m³/per year
Recycling of Ostravice WWTP	3,3	3,3	mn. m³/per year
Recycling of Lučina WWTP		2,8	mn. m³/per year
Request for external resources	16,2	13,4	mn.m³/per year

### Green planting

**LIBERTY** 

- Effective tool to decreasing of dust and noise emissions
- Planted greenery in surrounding communities in 2008 - 2021
- Planting made by LO
  - Steel road: 189 trees + 1 976 shrubs
  - Colors of Ostrava: 1 111 trees
  - Avenue RUDNA I: 100 trees
  - Open door days: 608 trees
  - Replacement plantations in LO:219 trees
     + 345 shrubs
- Trees planted in LO by external company
  - 85 trees + 5 shrubs





### Air protection





#### Main emissions sources









**Industry** 

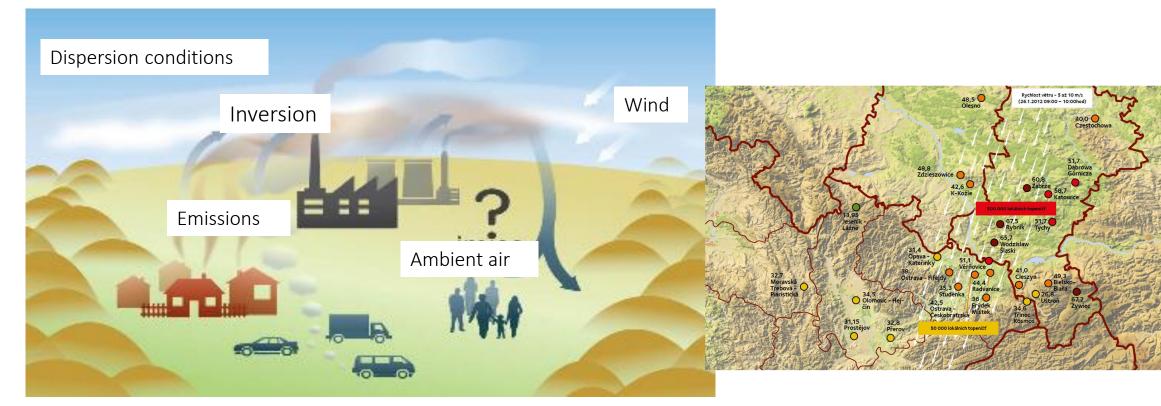
**Local heating sources** 

**Transport/traffic** 

Sources in other countries with cross-border extension

#### Air protection



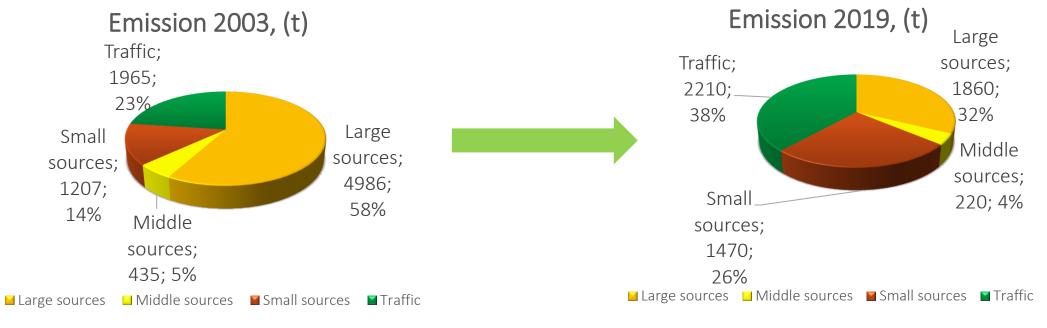


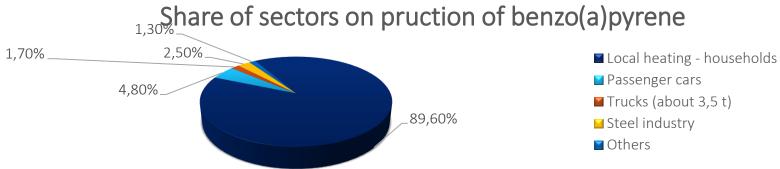
Emission: Pollutants that come from a particular source into the air, measured directly by the source.

Ambient air: Air quality at some specific location. Is affected by emission sources, but also dispersion conditions, geographical location and other factors.

#### Main emission sources



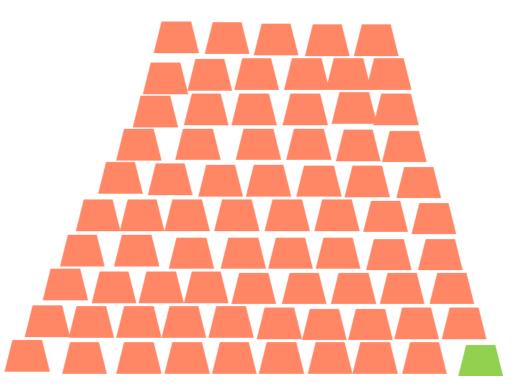




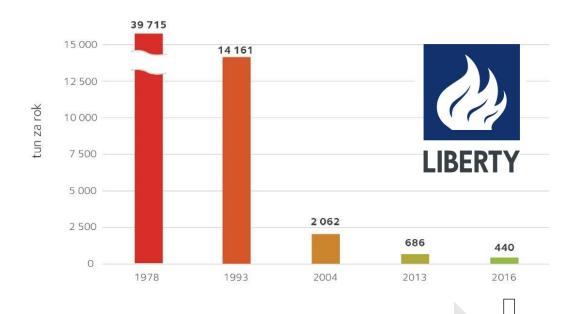
### Our goal is to reduce our emissions

**LIBERTY** 

 Since 1978, Liberty Ostrava has been reduced the volume of Dust emissions cca by 99 times?



**Dust emissions** 



**Dust emissions reduction** 



1978 Year – 39 715 t

## Primary measures to eliminate fugitive dust emissions of particulate pollutants



**Dedusting the place of cutting of sculs** 

Collecting and eliminating the red smoke generated by the process of sculs cutting by oxygen firing

12/2009 - Start of permanent operation





## Secondary measures to eliminate fugitive dust emissions



Cleaning of roads both in the LO area and outside the company

**Efficient road cleaning system at LO** 

Own cleaning vehicle

Cleaning the entire area

Cleaning adjacent roads outside

the company

• Support for cleaning in neighboring municipalities

2009: cleaning vehicle for neighboring municipalities - CZK 5 million

2009-2021: car operation - about CZK 5.4 million



#### Greening investments



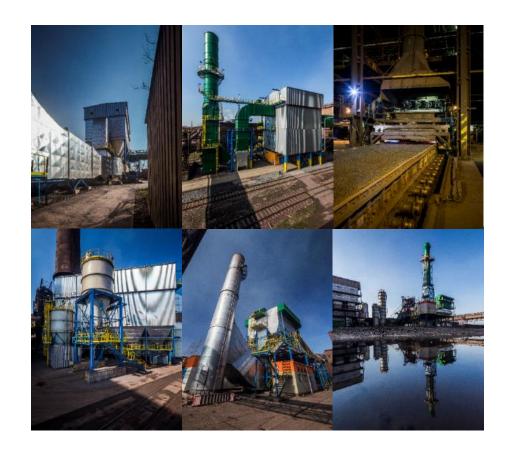
From 2003 to 2014 investments to greening technologies worth 160 000 000 USD

In 2015 started to work 13 ecological projects worth 80 000 000 USD

Massive installation of fabric filters

It captures with 99% efficiency the smallest dust particles PM1, PM2,5 and PM10

We have been fulfilled BAT emission limits since 2012



#### Fabric filters



- The best available technology for dedusting
- Similar efficiency is for benzo (a) pyrene and dioxin dosing of additives
- The total area of fabric filter hoses 13 new technologies exceeds 73 thousand square meters, corresponding to the size of 10 football (soccer) playground.

AIRS		Particle Size (μm)		
Code <sup>b</sup>	Type Of Collector	0 - 2.5	2.5 - 6	6 - 10
016	Fabric filter - high temperature	99	99.5	99.5
017	Fabric filter - med temperature	99	99.5	99.5
018	Fabric filter - low temperature	99	99.5	99.5

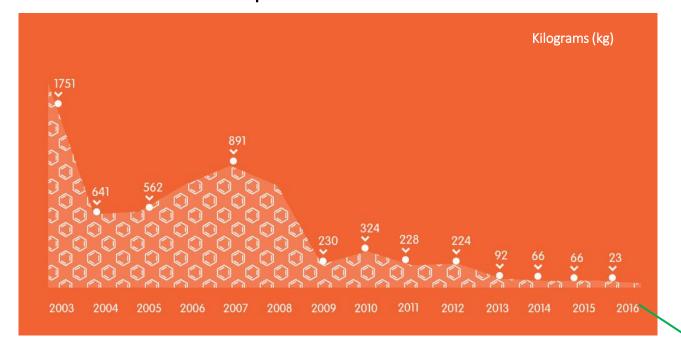
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## Historically the lowest emissions of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons

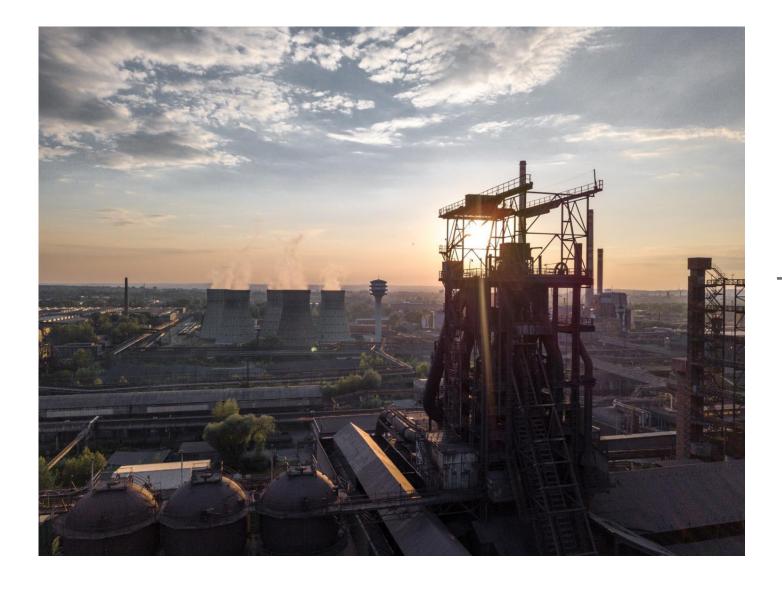


 Dosing of special additives into the flue gas stream before entering fabric filters on the Sinter plant



Year 2021 22 kg





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