

The WatchDec SA company settles in Courgenay

Develier (Jura), 2nd September 2019 - WatchDec, an Acrotec Group company relocates its business to Courgenay (Jura) in a new factory with a total surface area of almost two thousand square metres. Renowned for its know-how and skills in the manufacturing of complex parts for the horology screw machining industry, WatchDec is also active in the production of micro components destined for the connector, medical and aeronautic sectors.

« With this new infrastructure we will benefit from far more space, and therefore be better adapted to the development plan of the company whilst considerably improving the working conditions of our employees» declared Mr Jean-Matthieu Kasprzykowski, General Manager of WatchDec. WatchDec currently employs eighteen employees who will now benefit from better access to their new work location since it is situated close to the motorway, train station and other public transport.

The newly constructed building is equipped with all of the latest technology, in particular in terms of energy. A variety of technical equipment will allow optimal air treatment. Furthermore, the heat emitted from the equipment (machines, compressors...) will be recovered and reinserted into the hot water system. Photovoltaic panels will also produce part of the electricity required and a green vegetal roof will not only provide better insulation for the factory but also collect rain water. This natural infrastructure will particularly avoid overloading the network of rainwater drainage in the commune.

The available space freed up after the relocation of Watchdec will immediately be fully occupied by the Vardeco company, also a member of the Acrotec Group, who keenly need the additional capacity to be able to respond to the development of its business.

« I am looking forward to this new stage which will enable us to continue the harmonious development of the Acrotec Group in the Jura canton » declared Mr François Billig, founder of the Acrotec Group.

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About WatchDec : WatchDec was founded in 2012. Specializing in the manufacturing of components principally for the watch making industry, the company has acquired an excellent reputation throughout Switzerland. Located in Develier (Switzerland), the company benefits from a modern infrastructure and a machine park equipped with the latest models enabling them to provide technical skills of an exceptionally high standard. Complementary processes to screw machining are also provided such as heat treatments, polishing, cutting, burnishing, sand-blasting, shot-blasting, nickel-plating, gold-plating, etc. The principal materials manufactured for the production of these products in large or small series from 0.05 to 10 mm in diameter are stainless steel, hardened steel, titanium, brass, nickel and bronze.
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About the Acrotec Group : Acrotec is an independent group created by micromechanical professionals. Their main objective is to be the preferred subcontractor offering a wide range of precision component manufacturing processes. Their strategy is both to provide quality products « Swiss Made » to the entire watch-making industry as well as to the automotive, medical, jewellery and aeronautic industries. Acrotec distinguish themselves by their extent of know-how provided under one roof, in their **precision machining** (CNC turning, multi-spindle CNC profile-turning, cam profile-turning, 3 & 5 axes milling, micro-profile-turning, transfer and machining of precious metals), by their **support processes** (surface treatment, gearing, assembling, heat treatment, laser decorating and engraving) and by their **specific processes** (UV-Liga component manufacturing, EDM, synthetic stone machining, laminating, spring shaping, design and manufacturing of machines and tooling, Silicon etching by DRIE process). Today, the group has over 1'000 employees. **www.acrotec.ch**