

PRESS RELEASE

Green power for red Wolff cranes – the Luckau Wolffkran site puts the photovoltaic system into operation.

Luckau – July 2023. **Soon Wolffkran’s Luckau production site in Brandenburg will cover over a third of its power needs using solar energy. To that end, a 700,000 kWh photovoltaic system was installed the roofs of the production hall and the office building. This system marks the beginning of additional long-term renovation measures in Luckau.**

1,880 photovoltaic modules have recently been glittering under the sun on the roofs of Wolffkran’s production facility in Luckau. As of the end of July, they will produce roughly 700,000 kWh of sustainable power and thereby cover roughly 40 percent of total power needs for crane production in Luckau. The new system can still contribute roughly 15% of the required power for the current year of 2023. It will deliver 700 kWp of power during peak times. “As a result, not only do significantly cut costs at the site but also save roughly 255 tons of CO₂ per year,” says David Zelder, Managing Director of Wolffkran Werk Brandenburg GmbH. Emis Electrics GmbH, headquartered in neighboring Lübbenau, installed the system. “Soon we will also set up six electric vehicle charging columns for employees and visitors,” says Zelder. Forklifts and lift trucks will soon be supplied with solar power at new outdoor charging stations as well.

Climate-friendly restructuring already taking place in Luckau

Of course, the recent high electricity prices were also what prompted the project to finally begin at the end of 2022,” concedes David Zelder. But crisis-related price increases are not the only thing that motivate site managers to strive for improved environmental friendliness at the site. “Next year, modernization of the heating and ventilation systems in the production hall and administration building based on renewable energies and heat recovery systems is on the agenda, and we will likewise implement them with local partners,” says David, providing a forecast. Even the recently acquired buildings over the years are being energetically renovated. Apart from an environmentally friendly heating and ventilation concept, electricity from solar energy is also expected to power the second production site.

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Luckau, an important step towards a climate-neutral company.

“Local measures such as at the Luckau site are part of Wolffkran’s overall strategy as it evolves into a climate-neutral company,” says Andreas Kahl, Managing Director of WOLFFKRAN GmbH. As was the case in 2020/21, Wolffkran has also acquired climate certificates for the years 2022/23 in order to use them to fully offset its annual greenhouse gas emissions. “We are glad that – thanks to local savings at all German locations – we have not had to offset as much CO₂-equivalent contaminants in 2022/23 as in 2020,” says Kahl.

Using the certificates acquired in 2022, the company is supporting a [wind energy project in Mexico](#). WOLFFKRAN is thus one of the first manufacturers in the industry to voluntarily compensate for its emissions in accordance with the Kyoto Protocol’s “[Clean Development Mechanism](#)” for reducing greenhouse gases.

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WOLFFKRAN ist ein führender Hersteller von hochwertigen Turmdrehkränen mit einer über 150-jährigen Tradition. Mit einer eigenen Mietflotte von ca. 800 Turmdrehkränen ist WOLFFKRAN zudem einer der größten Kranvermieter weltweit. WOLFFKRAN hat seine Firmenzentrale in Zug, in der Schweiz, und verfügt über Fertigungsstandorte in Heilbronn und Luckau, Deutschland. Das Unternehmen beschäftigt derzeit weltweit ca. 860 Mitarbeiter an seinen zwei Produktionsstandorten und an den Vertriebs- und Serviceneiederlassungen in West- und Mitteleuropa, im Nahen Osten und in den USA.

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Klimaneutral durch Kompensation
mit Klimaschutzzertifikaten

WOLFFKRAN

hat die Treibhausgasemissionen des Unternehmens für 2022 und 2023 durch den Erwerb von 6.490 Zertifikaten aus dem Projekt "UN CER Windenergie Mexiko" ausgeglichen.

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DATUM

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Thanks to the photovoltaic system, the Wolffkran site of Luckau will cover roughly 40 percent of its overall power needs. Additional climate-friendly renovation measures are underway and in planning at Luckau. They are part of Wolffkran's overall strategy for becoming a climate-neutral company. Since 2020, Wolffkran has been offsetting its greenhouse gas emissions by acquiring climate certificates that are used to finance international environmentally friendly energy projects.