

IVC Group supports its growth by doubling its warehouse in Avelgem



IVC Group in Avelgem is well on its way to becoming a world leader in the rapidly growing market of LVT (Luxury Vinyl Tiles), consisting of tiles and planks. The company is investing heavily in new factories and logistical capacity, in order to provide the oxygen required for growth. In doing so, the capacity of the ultra-modern high-bay warehouse in Avelgem is to be doubled in December. "It will be possible to load trucks in only 15 minutes".

IVC Group produces luxury vinyl floors (on rolls or in the form of tiles/planks) for project and residential purposes. The surge in the Moduleo brand in particular is remarkable. This premium, modular vinyl is taking the whole world by storm, with its innovative designs, durability and realistic look. This year Moduleo even launched the first 'creative studio' with 'Moods', which comes in all kinds of weird and wonderful formats, giving designers an incredible newfound freedom.

"We are naturally delighted by Moduleo's enthusiastic reception, however this does of course create new challenges when it comes to production and logistics", says CEO Jan Vergote. "Fortunately we had anticipated well. Our high-tech factory in Avelgem has been at full capacity since 2012 and we built a new high-bay warehouse in 2014. With this new extension, including a modified shipping zone which will allow dispatch capacity to expand alongside storage capacity, we are now ready to face the future."

EXCELLENT SERVICE

With its new warehouse, at 35m high by 75m wide, IVC Group will double the number of pallet spaces to 21,000, representing over 2 million m² of product, and will have enough capacity for 24 million m² per year and a peak volume of nearly 100,000 m² per day. The picking operation is fully automated using the warehouse management system (WMS), giving a maximum of efficiency. Jan Vergote: "You can compare it with a giant soft drinks or confectionery vending machine. Only 15 minutes are required between entering a picking order and the lorry driving off with it."

A purpose-built conveyor bridge across the road forms a direct link with the production building. The entire stock process is controlled by SAP, while WMS covers all movements within the high-bay warehouse itself. A 24/7 service can be guaranteed thanks to our 12 full-time staff. "With all these measures we can guarantee that Moduleo is always available to our customers, and that our service can be continuously maintained at the highest levels", confirms Jan Vergote.



ABOUT IVC GROUP

IVC Group, founded in 1997, is the largest European manufacturer of Luxury Vinyl Tiles and residential vinyl on rolls. With its 1,500 employees across 6 production units in Belgium, Luxembourg and the United States, IVC Group develops and produces more than 100 million m² of vinyl flooring each year.

The product portfolio consists of 4 brands: Leoline® (residential vinyl flooring on a roll), Itec® (project vinyl flooring on a roll), Moduleo® (luxury modular vinyl flooring for project and residential purposes) and Xtrafloor™ (accessories for vinyl and LVT floors). In 2015 IVC Group became part of the American listed Mohawk Industries Inc., the global leader in floor coverings.

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