

## Media Release

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### **3,000<sup>th</sup> machine delivered from Changzhou**

**GF Machining Solutions Changzhou Co., Ltd. has reached a major milestone: the successful assembly and the delivery of the 3,000<sup>th</sup> milling machine, a Mikron MILL P 500.**

The Changzhou plant of GF Machining Solutions has only been under full operation since 2009, but has already produced 3,000 machines, mainly for the Chinese market. "It has become the mainstay for sales growth within the Chinese sales company", Johnson Chen, Head of Market Region China, said. Until 2014, 1,000 machines were produced, in 2018, this figure was already twice as high, and two years later, in 2020, the target of delivering the 3,000<sup>th</sup> machine was achieved. In 2020, the Changzhou plant has reached a historical record in order intakes despite the pandemic.

GF Machining Solutions Changzhou Co., Ltd. has introduced the advanced technologies of the Swiss headquarter, boosting the manufacturing progress of milling machines in China. Major steps in the company history were the launch of the three-axis and five-axis high-efficiency milling machines Mikron MILL E and Mikron MILL E U from 2009 to 2014, and the launch of the high-performance Mikron MILL P 900 and the Mikron MILL P 500 from 2016 to 2020. The Mikron MILL E U, ideal for small-series production and mold industries, was the first five-axis machine made in China.

The plant has a total area of 51,550 m<sup>2</sup>, with a production area of 12,000 m<sup>2</sup>, a showroom of 1,300 m<sup>2</sup> and a main office area of 7,300 m<sup>2</sup>. 60-80 employees working in tact assembly ensure a monthly output of 40-70 Milling machines with a lead-time of less than 30 working days.

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Side view from GF Machining Solutions' Changzhou plant.



Mujia Zhang, Delegate of the GF CEO for China, and Johnson Chen, Head of Market Region China, uncovering the 3,000<sup>th</sup> machine produced in the Changzhou plant.



The MILL P 500 was launched in Changzhou in 2020.

**Profile of GF Machining Solutions**

GF Machining Solutions is the world's leading provider of machine tools, diverse technical solutions and services to manufacturers of precision molds and tooling and of tight-tolerance, precision-machined components. The key segments we serve include the aerospace, automotive, medical, energy, information and communications technology (ICT) and electronics industries. Our extensive portfolio ranges from Electrical Discharge Machining (EDM) solutions, three- and five-axis Milling machines and Spindles, 3D Laser texturing machines, Additive Manufacturing and machines for Laser micromachining to solutions for Tooling, Automation, Software and Digitalization—all backed by unrivaled Customer Services and support. GF Machining Solutions is a globally acting Division of the Georg Fischer Group (Switzerland) and maintains a presence at 50 locations worldwide. Its 3,358 employees generated sales of CHF 972 million in 2019. More information can be found at [www.gfms.com](http://www.gfms.com)

