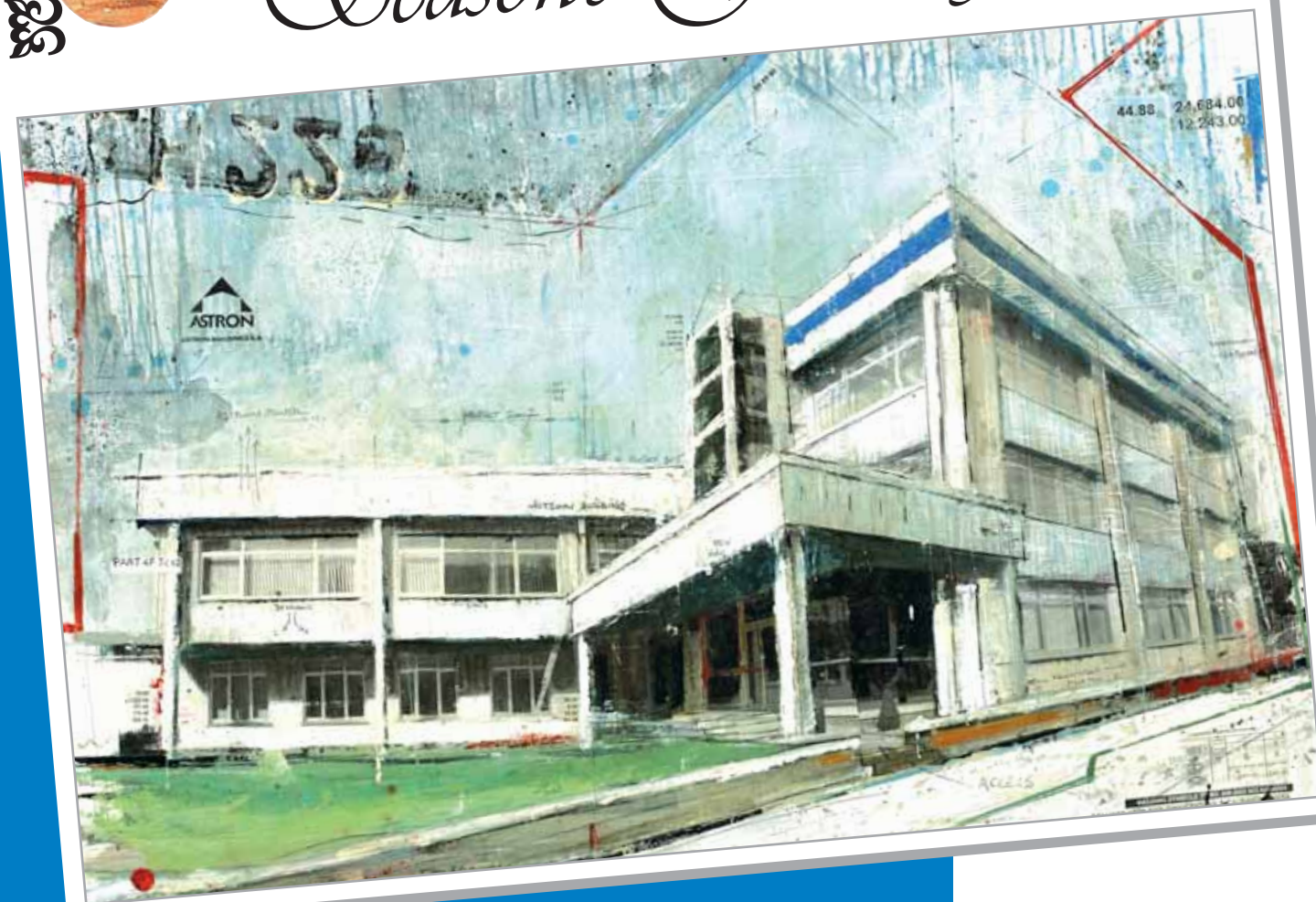


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Season's Greetings



Editorial



Group and our Builder-dealers. Lindab Ventilation is a market leader in Ventilation products with a very strong brand name. In a large 43,000 m² investment in Czech Republic completed for Faurecia in 2006, in addition to supplying several ASTRON buildings, we successfully offered a Lindab Ventilation system.

Additionally, with our help, one Polish Builder-dealer recently purchased ventilation products from Lindab.

This "cross dealing" provides benefits to all parties and, I encourage you to consult with your District Sales Manager if you use Ventilation products in your projects to see how we can help integrate Lindab products and services.

And, finally, let me wish you and your families all the best for the festive season and see you soon in Barcelona.

« Hasta Luego ! »

David Brodetsky
Managing Director
ASTRON BUILDINGS S.A.

The Final Countdown!

The countdown has begun. In just 4 months at the Alliance Conference in April we'll reveal all the details of the future harmonized product line which, need I remind you, combines the best of ASTRON and Lindab Building Systems KFT (Lindab-Butler). We will also have finalized our "one organization" branding strategy by then and will also be launching that in sunny (we hope) Barcelona.

The product range will be expanded for both ASTRON and LBS Builder-dealers; the quality will be further enhanced (by selecting the best technical solutions for each detail) and your costs will reduce as, for instance, we introduce a 1M wall/roof panel which will lower erection costs.

Synergies are already starting between ASTRON, the Lindab

Congratulations to the "Building of the Month"

July 2006



Builder: Gemar Hallenbau, Germany
Customer: Dynamic Billard Organisation GmbH
Architect: Blieskasteler Planwerkstatt

August 2006



Builder: Wolf & Sofksy GmbH & Co. KG, Germany
Customer: Allard IMT GmbH
Architect: Emil Hahn

The Winner of the "Multi-Storey Building of the Quarter"



Builder: MBS S.A., Luxembourg
Customer: Party Rent
Architect: Architekturbüro Scharf

September 2006



Builder: Rubrica Naves Metálicas, Spain
Customer: Dipesa
Architect: Francesco Lluna, WorkTec

Our conference is getting ready...

Firstly, we would like to thank you all for the considerable number of Builders who wish to attend our Alliance Conference!

As you may know, in addition to one and a half days of business where we will reveal the new product line and the Alliance news, we will also be organising some enjoyable leisure activities.



Cosmopolitan and extrovert, exciting and dynamic, Barcelona gathers all the charm of the cities open to the sea. Its numerous attractions make Barcelona an ideal meeting place for Lindab and ASTRON decision-makers and representatives together with their Builders. We kindly invite you to discover this mesmerizing city with its remarkable heritage during the excursion day, Saturday 21st and during our Partners tour. The Partners tour includes two excursions: a one-day trip on Thursday and another one on Friday.

Montjuïc Hill and Olympic Ring

Built for the 1992 Olympic Games, the Olympic village comprises approximately 2,000 dwellings designed by prestigious architects from all over the world. This village

in Barcelona is a true masterpiece in the architectural world. The visits to the Palau Nacional, Pavillon Mies van der Rohe and the Olympic ring will be followed by a stop in the Poble Espanyol, where a complex comprising of full-scale replicas of architectural structures from different Spanish regions can be found.

The Gastronomic Road and visits to various markets

This unique and lively district portrays buildings of great architectural value, such as the Betlem church, the 18th-century Palau Moja and the Palau de la Virreina, where temporary exhibitions are held. The famous and colourful street Las Ramblas will lead you to the Mercat Sant



Josep (Boqueria), the most famous market in Barcelona and a delight for all the senses. Subsequently, it will lead you to the Santa Caterina market. The gastronomic and cultural route will include three food stops. Regarding the Saturday programme



"Discover Barcelona and its surroundings", we have arranged "The Gaudí oeuvre" excursion. This excursion will allow you to visit the most representative part of Barcelona: the Park Güell where you can lose yourself among the plants and trees and where the buildings co-exist in perfect harmony, the Sagrada Família (the synthesis between the theory and the architectural work of Gaudí), the Pedrera or Casa Mila (an outburst of creativeness) and then Casa Batlló (another brilliant work by Gaudí). Promenades and lunch at the Costa Gallega will further enhance the day. The Saturday excursion will be a fitting end after the conference's working sessions, however according to your individual preferences and the final number of participants we may have to make some last minute alterations.

The Gala dinner, the highlight of all such Builder conferences, will be held 15 minutes from Sitges in the

picturesque and impressive former casino, Finca Mas Solers, recently renovated.

You can find all the details of these programmes on your CYPRION-EXTRANET (address: <https://extranet.astron.biz>, password: sitges and login: sitges; you can also use your personal login).

We hope that this wonderful event will be a special occasion for ASTRON and Lindab Builders to meet, share success and experiences and reinforce synergy.



See you in Sitges!



Krono-Group - ASTRON: more than 10 years of co-operation

This 10,000m² building is the latest order from the Krono-Group, completing their expansion in Russia.

This company has become the

largest MDF (medium-density fibreboard) producer in Europe, and its Russian affiliate in Scharja has the annual capacity to produce 60 million m² of laminated flooring. ASTRON has been building for the

Krono-Group for 10 years and have realized more than 400,000m², not only in Russia, but also in France, Germany, Luxembourg and the Ukraine. During this co-operation ASTRON has achieved a solid

reputation in terms of reliability, quality and delivery.

The last building that was constructed in Scharja by ASTRON is a 120,000m² storage space with a free span of 72m.

Once again ASTRON has added to its know-how in managing this project (erection time was less than 10 weeks) and respected the allocated budget.

The Swiss group now owns a simple and well-performing building where the architecture integrates itself into the existing structures.

Customer: Krono-Group
Architecture: Kronotex



Harmonization between Single-Storey and Multi-Storey Buildings

Prisma Bauelemente GmbH from Leinefelde (Germany) has been a very successful ASTRON Builder for many years and continually prove themselves through their outstanding reference projects.

Ten years ago, Prisma built the main office of the company ERKO Präzisions- und Steuerungstechnik GmbH, who specializes in the field of CNC – Computerized Numerical Control machines.

On this occasion a single-storey building (SSB) with a pumice concrete facade was erected.

Soon, however, more space was needed and a second SSB was built to the left of the initial structure, followed by a building to the right. The land became strained and the present project on the green meadow was initiated.

A 6,800m², three-module production



building and a 500m² wing unit for deliveries was constructed. The roof includes numerous continuous skylights and bares large solar panels.

The building is provided with PR-roof panels and a high quality sandwich wall panel in the colour of white aluminium, architecturally stressed with gentian blue.

The masterpiece of the ensemble, however, is a three-storey building that is 25m long, 18m wide and 10m high. This MSB has a negative roof slope of 6% with a central valley gutter, a parapet on all sides and a roof extension.

Builder:
Prisma Bauelemente GmbH,
Leinefelde (Germany)
Customer:
ERKO Präzisions- und
Steuerungstechnik GmbH
Architect:
Ingenieurbüro Hoinkis



Tokvila: “My Toyota Building is fantastic!”



ASTRON is proud to enlighten you about the high performance of the Lithuanian Builder Rotonda, who has already completed several ASTRON buildings despite only recently becoming a Builder. Their latest project is a Toyota car dealership building in Siauliai (Lithuania).

In order to fulfil the increasing demand for Toyota cars in Lithuania, the client,

Tokvila wanted new premises with a 3,000m² workshop and a spacious and luminous show room. In order to be awarded the contract, **Rotonda** made commendable use of the ASTRON sales tools available. The customer greatly appreciated the use of the realistic 3D CYPRION-ALLPLAN model made by Mr. Vilandas Juodzionis (the ASTRON man), enabling a visualization of all the details and colour of the building as

well as features such as individual roof and wall systems, accessories etc.

Rotonda brought customer satisfaction by responding to the clients needs, yet simultaneously stayed within the

image requirements of the Toyota group.

Builder: Rotonda, Siauliai (Lithuania)

Customer: Tokvila

Architect: Darius Jakubauskas



Total-Lux: The success of a good team



A refined ASTRON building reflecting the dynamism of the Total-Lux group was just completed close to Budapest (Hungary). Active since 1991 in the Hungarian market, this company is dealing with the mixing of car paints and trading with polishing materials from Hungarian distributors.

Dedicated to the car paint production, this 326m² ASTRON building was designed by the architect Gábor Liptovszky in



collaboration with the ASTRON Builder **Solyszolg Kft.**

With a pleasant architectural design, using different steels, this construction has an interior decoration that reflects the company's activity.

To ensure the success of this property, the customer, the architect and the ASTRON Builder worked together to ensure harmony between the customer requirements, the questions of the

architect and the answers given by the ASTRON Builder Solyszolg Kft.

Thanks to this team work, the best use of the ASTRON process was made.

Builder: Solyszolg Kft., Budapest (Hungary)

Customer: Total-Lux Kft.

Architect : Gábor Liptovszky



The supermarket chain Leclerc chooses ASTRON

The Leclerc centers, leaders in the French supermarket sector with significant growth potential, continue their expansion through the development of their Auto centers. Subsequently, the chain decided to open a new center.

The garage, situated in Gaillac (France) strives to become a major regional player in the domain of car centers. This is advertised by the Leclerc slogan: "product, service and competence at E. Leclerc price".

Continental Immobilier d'Entreprise, a renowned Builder in this region, was able to meet the technical and financial needs of the group by proposing a turnkey 2,240m² ASTRON building.

It is split between a self service area of 770m² and repair shop, entirely in



line with the L'Auto E. Leclerc concept.

Due to their sales strategy and their job methodology, virtually entirely based on a long lasting and close collaboration with their partnership, Continental Immobilier d'Entreprise, they were awarded

the contract and the building was a success.

We hope that this will generate future orders for the same supermarket chain.

Builder: Continental Immobilier d'Entreprise, St. Juery (France)
Customer: « L'Auto Leclerc »
Architect: Cabinet Brunerie-Irissou



When passion rhymes with ASTRON

The Builder Ruchstav AR Building, built new infrastructures designated to represent the dynamism of the ZP Zeman Transport group, which specialises in the international transport of goods. The project includes a truck repairation and maintenance space, as well as an administrative section with a mezzanine.

The customer, who developed his family enterprise on key values such as "competitiveness, flexibility and service", has chosen the ASTRON



system and Builder **Ruchstav**, due to their corresponding standards.

The 1,825m² complex (a service building for trucks, two-storey administration building and an annex for truck drivers) is designed for an optimum use of the space and to enable the exhibition of old

automobiles; the clients favourite hobby.

Builder: RUCHSTAV AR BUILDING, a.s., Ostrava Trebovice, (Czech Republic)
Customer: ZP ZEMAN Transport Group a.s.
Architect: Ing. Jan Harašta, CSc

CYPRION



The number of calculations made using CYPRION is rapidly increasing. On certain occasions you may have experienced an overload on the server, and consequentially have had to reconnect after a while. This, as you may agree, is a waste of time.

To resolve this situation and to improve our service, a new sever has been in place since December 1st.

This new server can manage more connections with the same level of performance. It has automatic access and you do not need to make any configuration changes.

Note:

Towards the end of 2002, we developed a new way for you to access the CYPRION server using your internet connection in order to decrease communication costs. Momentarily, 95% of the ASTRON Builders access the CYPRION by these means. Please note, that since December 1st 2006, you can use this connection mode only!

In case of any problems to change the CYPRION configuration, do not hesitate to contact your CYPRION Team, Diekirch.

Kind regards,
Your ASTRON Team

H.E. Anatoly Lisitsyn Governor of the Region of Yaroslavl Oblast, Russia visits Luxembourg

The official signing of the investment agreement between ASTRON Buildings and the Region of Yaroslavl took place at the Second Russian Regions Day which was held at the Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce on November 29th. The Agreement was signed in the presence of Jeannot Krecké, Minister of Economy and Foreign Trade.

The investment and the future ASTRON Production Plant is of paramount importance for the Region. The new facility will not only provide local employment

opportunities, but it will undoubtedly attract other investors into the region. On November 28th we had the honour of hosting H.E. Governor Lisitsyn at our office in Diekirch. The Governor was accompanied by Vice-Governor Vyacheslav Blatov; Vice-Governor Irina Skorokhodova; Yan Andreev, Mayor of Tutaev and Tatyana Dubrovina, Deputy Mayor.

The regional and local Administrations have provided significant support and assistance for our investment project. The visit gave us the opportunity to take the delegation on a tour of our production facilities and present the



construction program and schedule for the Russian Plant.

Venant Krier took the Russian delegation on a sight-seeing tour around Luxembourg on the first day of their arrival. The Governor and his Team will promote investment in the Yaroslavl Region before travelling with David Brodetsky to Sweden to visit Lindab's headquarters.

Hans Berger
Deputy Managing Director
ASTRON BUILDINGS S.A.



ALLIANCE

In the May issue we presented our harmonization plans for 2006. We are now close to the end of the year and are happy to report that the Alliance program is on schedule. We are close to completing all of the tasks defined for 2006.

We have harmonized the primary structural components between ASTRON and Lindab Building Systems by selecting the best details from the two systems and we have improved frame production in Nyiregyhaza by implementing some of ASTRON's more automated frame manufacturing methods. Insulation production was started up in Nyiregyhaza in October.

The secondary components harmonization is underway. The first Lindab Building Systems project with ASTRON secondary components has been shipped to **MDC**, a top Builder for Lindab Building Systems in the UK.

The complete changeover to the ASTRON secondary system will be completed with shipments commencing in week 49.

The Product Champions and all of the people from ASTRON and Lindab Building Systems supporting

the Alliance program have done a great job implementing the many details associated with the 2006 harmonization tasks.

Now we look forward to introducing the next generation of roof systems, wall systems and accessories in 2007. We are certain that the improvements in thermal performance and weather-tightness integrity will bring added market advantages.

The products will be unveiled at the Builder/Dealer meeting in Barcelona in April 2007. Major technical enhancements will be implemented in 2008 with the introduction of the new generation Engineering System.

The system is being built around "state-of-art" order engineering technology and it will further enhance our order engineering velocity and capabilities and the future capabilities of CYPRION.

Lindab's commitment to the Building Systems Division is unmistakably clear. Our investments in product harmonization, new engineering technology and capacity expansion into new markets will definitely help us maintain our leading and dominant position as the premier producer of Building Systems in

Europe. Success in business is about delivering value to the market. Our commitment has never been stronger.

Hans G. Berger
Deputy Managing Director
ASTRON BUILDINGS S.A.



● ● ASTRON welcomes its new Builders

● **Eurohale Construct srl, Bucharest (Romania)**

● **A-Modulstroy LTD, Minsk (Belarus)**

● **Alutra GmbH, Duggingen (Switzerland)**

● **Glamana Kft., Budapest (Hungary)**

● **HBN Hallenbau Nord GmbH, Fredenbeck (Germany)**

● **HBS Systembau Rainer Pohl, Dortmund (Germany)**

● **Kaskona, Moscow (Russia)**

● **Remstroy-Invest Ltd., Chernyahovsk (Russia)**

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