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Construction underway in Waltrop:

HASE BIKES is modernising its production

There is currently a lot of activity on the grounds of the historical coal mine complex Zeche Waltrop: HASE BIKES is erecting a new building.

“We’ve been growing consistently over the past few years and therefore need an additional building that will allow us to make improvements to our production processes,” said company founder Marec Hase. The company will be transitioning from assembly carousels to assembly lines for its production. “It’s not your typical assembly-line work,” said Hase. “Each bike will be assembled in a linear production process that will not only require less space than previous methods, but also allow for shorter distances. To date, one employee at an assembly carousel has been able to assemble eight bikes over the course of a week with the help of assistants. Owing to the fact that the employees work on several bikes at once, the space is cramped, and the workers are often in each other’s way. In addition, the assembly parts are not within easy reach.” In the future, a group of employees will be building a single bike or trike, step by step, until it is fully assembled and ready for shipment.

Tripling production capacity

“With the new building and linear assembly processes, we have the potential to increase production by 300 per cent without sacrificing any quality,” explained Marec Hase, who is



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expecting significant growth over the next few years. "At the moment, we are being held back by the problems with material procurement. Last year, we ordered much more than in the previous years. When these supplies finally arrive next year, we will be well prepared with the new building."

Construction work during a pandemic: a challenge

Everyone who is currently building or renovating knows how hard it is to find the required materials. "The supply situation and the associated waiting periods and costs are the biggest challenge," said Marec Hase. "Metal and wood are hard to come by. And the roofing materials are going to cost twice as much as originally estimated. But we were determined to finish the project this year. We really need the space." Powered by solar panels and heated by geothermal energy, the new structure will be HASE BIKES' fourth and largest building at the former coal mine complex. The production area will take up 2,260 m² of the 3,000 m² building, with the rest available for additional storage space and a café for employees. Construction will be finalised by late November or early December.

Photos and captions:



Photo 1:

HASE BIKES' new production facility will be finished by late 2021.



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Photo 2:

Ground-breaking ceremony: Kirsten and Marec Hase open the construction site for their fourth building.

The photos can be downloaded in print and web quality under the following link:

<https://www.amedes.de/ftp/hasebikes/Halle4.zip>

About HASE BIKES:

Marec Hase, engineer, owner and managing director of HASE BIKES, has been developing extraordinary bikes and trikes for the past 25 years. The successes of the now 70-member team have earned numerous design awards and attracted a growing community of passionate HASE bikers from (practically) every corner of the world. The delta trikes and tandems from HASE BIKES are popular for recreational sports, bike tours and family routines, as well as in the area of adaptive and inclusive cycling. Their innovative construction, high-quality engineering and multi-award-winning designs make them attractive for all riders, regardless of age or physical ability. Thanks to the wide spectrum of accessories for various uses, HASE BIKES can be individually adapted to the (special) needs of any rider, so that words like "abled" and "disabled"



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lose their meaning. If you'd like to learn more about what makes the bikes, trikes and people from HASE BIKES so special, then visit us at www.hasebikes.com.