New Bright Annealing Line of Aperam Gueugnon

Gueugnon, France

Today’s steel mills are moving away from the function-over-form of the past and embracing a more aesthetic approach. A case-in-point is Aperam’s Gueugnon site, where the traditional skyline of tall chimneys spitting out multi-coloured fumes is being replaced by shining, futuristic towers. The new 68.30 m tower is covered with 0.8 mm thick bright annealed (Uginox Bright) stainless steel cladding – produced and annealed on-site. While inside the tower houses the furnace and the accumulator, outside it blends perfectly into the surrounding landscape and has become a point of pride for both Aperam and local residents alike.

Environment: urban
Material: Aperam 304 with Uginox
Bright finish
Manufacturer: Aperam
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