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Expansion of production capacities
Interpipe Niko Tube orders groove dressing machine from SMS Meer

Interpipe Niko Tube from Nikopol, Ukraine, has ordered a three-axis groove dressing machine for its seamless tube plant in Nikopol from SMS Meer, Germany. The new machine will improve precision in production and shorten the dressing times. Therewith, the company will expand its production capacities.

With the KR III 33 CNC groove dressing machine, grooves in the rolls are fully automatically machined. Each operation takes less than 30 minutes. The diameter of the rolls to be dressed is 330 millimeters.

More precision and flexibility
A measuring device automatically records the stand and roll data. Hence, changes to the groove forms are easily possible. The customer just has to adjust the machine’s settings.

The groove dressing machine will go into production in the beginning of 2014.
SMS Meer GmbH is a company of the SMS group which, under the roof of the SMS Holding GmbH, consists of a group of global players in machinery and plant construction in steel and nonferrous metals processing. Its workforce of more than 13,500 employees generates sales worldwide totaling EUR 3.3 billion.

A similar plant will be supplied to Interpipe Niko Tube.