

As of 5/10/2012, the companies **Toeleveringsbedrijf Steelandt NV** (Westkerke) and **Deprez Metaalwerken NV** (Koekelare), belonging to the Metalincgroup, **have been fully taken over by the C-MEC group.**

This acquisition has enabled the C-MEC Group to clearly strengthen its current position in the market, in particular through the expansion of new competences and an additional customer portfolio, both in the rigging and sheet-metal working activities:

- Toeleveringsbedrijf Steelandt NV is a sheet-metal working supplier focusing on the **production of machine housing and machine doors/panels**. Its large fleet of machinery consists among other things of 2 recently purchased punching machines with automatic loading and unloading stations, bending tables, presses, and a fully automatic powder coating line.
- Deprez Metaalwerken NV focuses on **medium-sized rigging and sheet-metal working operations**. Its machinery includes various horizontal and vertical machine centres, a punch-laser combination, a laser machine with automatic loading, a flame cutting machine, a welding robot, ... and also a fully automatic powder coating line.

In the meantime we have not been idle in the existing business units either! In Heule in West Flanders, the production workshop is further optimized, including through the set-up of specific **production cells according to the QRM-principle** (Quick Response Manufacturing). Further **robotization** of existing operations and the start-up of a **Metalshop**, characterized by its flexibility and extremely short lead times for **prototyping and piecework**, are in the pipeline.

The future of the Czech business unit has been safeguarded thanks to the **recent acquisition of a bending robot. In addition, negotiations have been initiated regarding the purchase of an additional adjacent lot of 15.000 m².**

All of this underlines the C-MEC group's leading role as a supplier par excellence providing a ONE-STOP-SHOP-solution for all mechanical solutions.

A team of already 55 dedicated clerks and 300 competent production workers strives every day to meet the customers' needs.

