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STV INVEST Continues Revitalizing the Kovosvit MAS Complex. GreMi KLIMA Is Coming

Prague, August 31, 2026 — The former Kovosvit MAS complex in Sezimovo Ústí is gradually being repurposed. Tropner s.r.o., a member of the STV INVEST industrial group and the owner of the entire complex since this year, has signed a lease agreement with GreMi KLIMA. The company will utilize three production halls and part of the office space in the main administrative building. After a period of decline, manufacturing and business activity are thus beginning to return to this extensive industrial complex.

"We are pleased that we were able to find a tenant with long-term growth potential for a significant portion of the complex in such a short time. GreMi KLIMA is a company with ties to the region, and its arrival is exactly the type of use we envisioned when we took over the complex. We want life, production, and above all, people to gradually return to Kovosvit. We are already employing several dozen former Kovosvit MAS employees, and we believe that their numbers will continue to grow," says Martin Drda, CEO of STV INVEST.

The arrival of GreMi KLIMA represents the first significant step in the gradual revitalization of the site, whose history dates back to the Baťa era. The site covers an area of approximately **16 hectares**, of which more than five hectares consist of production and storage facilities and administrative offices.

At the same time, Tropner continues to seek uses for other parts of the complex. The goal is to gradually fill the vacant production, storage, and administrative spaces and transform the complex back into a functioning industrial site that will benefit Sezimovo Ústí and the entire region.

"Our work doesn't end with the acquisition of Kovosvit—on the contrary, it's just beginning. We don't want to be passive owners of this extensive site; we want to gradually fill it with meaningful activity. The signing of the lease agreement with GreMi KLIMA is the first result of this effort, and we believe that others will follow," says Martin Drda.

However, the Kovosvit complex is not just a collection of buildings and land. Until recently, machine tools were manufactured here that carried the name of Sezimovo Ústí throughout the world and that are still in operation today, both domestically and abroad. After taking over the complex, the new owner found unfinished production runs, semi-finished products, spare parts, and technical documentation left over from the previous operation—assets that cannot be recreated and which, according to the new owner, deserve to be carried forward.

STV INVEST is an industrial group with its own manufacturing focus and does not approach machine tools as a manufacturer; this makes it all the more sensible to find a strong partner for this part of Kovosvit's legacy. The group is open to negotiations with engineering firms, manufacturers, and investors who could build on the production, the Kovosvit brand, and is prepared to provide the facility's infrastructure, available documentation, and as-is production inputs.

“Kovosvit wasn’t just a factory; it was a brand that was well-known around the world—it left behind documentation, work-in-progress, and people who understand the business. We are a group with a different manufacturing focus, but that doesn’t mean this legacy should end up in the archives. If a partner with the ambition to continue manufacturing machine tools is found, we are ready to discuss the matter very openly with them and offer them our full support,” adds Martin Drda.

Both Tropner and GreMi KLIMA are also counting on **a long-term partnership**. The new tenant thus becomes one of the first major partners to contribute to the gradual transformation of the complex and its return to the ranks of the region’s active industrial centers.

The Kovosvit site is thus beginning a new chapter, this time with new companies, new jobs, and the ambition to breathe new life into this important industrial site.

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