

Press release

## **Fersa Bearings lays first stone of new technological campus for engineering and innovation**

*Zaragoza, Spain, March 2022.* Bearing manufacturer Fersa Bearings is building a new engineering and innovation laboratory for the Fersa Group in Zaragoza, Spain. The foundation stone for "Fersa Lab" was laid on 25 February 2022. With an investment of 14 million euros, the new complex will consist of two buildings constructed on a 6,800 square metre site opposite the Fersa Group's main headquarters. The project is scheduled to be completed in the first quarter of 2023 and will become an innovation reference centre for the company's sectors.

"With this investment, Fersa Group continues its commitment to manufacturing products with more added value and to open up new avenues for Research and Development, with the aim of moving from being an industrial company to a technology company," said Pedro Pablo Andreu, COO of Fersa Group. "With the construction of the Fersa Lab, a space dedicated to product innovation is created, a place to create intelligent bearings, special materials and nano-coatings, as well as special solutions specifically for the electric vehicle, renewable energy and smart mobility sectors. We want the Fersa Lab to be a place where we not only produce, but also encourage innovation in a broader sense. We will work on the development of new bearings for the wind energy and automotive sectors, but we also want to design solutions for other types of industries in which we are not yet present."

"With this innovation centre, Fersa Bearings will continue to advance in its vision of designing and manufacturing the perfect bearing, and will provide employees with a space for creativity, research and development as a tool to serve their ingenuity and capacity for innovation, positioning Fersa Group as a technological benchmark in the automotive, industrial and renewable energy sectors," added Andreu. "Innovation is in our DNA, and Fersa Lab will represent our own space where we can give free rein to our imagination and our authentic nature, in which continuous experimentation is a habit."

The ceremony was led by Carlos Oehling, accompanied by Fernando Used from Ingennus, engineers and architects of the project, and Maria José Ballarín and Jose Luis Ezquerro from OBENASA, the construction company which will carry out the works. During the event, tribute was paid to Fersa's cooperative members, represented by Pedro Dubón, the longest-serving employee at Fersa Bearings, who was chosen to lay the first stone. In a glass urn, buried for posterity, the participants placed a Fersa bearing, two copies of the newspapers of the day, a Fersa style dossier with the corporate values, and the commemorative stone of the event.

**Pictures:**

Picture 1: The foundation stone for Fersa Lab was laid in Zaragoza on 25 February 2022, with Carlos Oehling, CEO of Fersa Group, Fernando Used from Ingennus, Maria José Ballarín and Jose Luis Ezquerro from Obenasa, Pedro Dubón from Fersa, and other participants.

Picture 2: Fersa Lab is scheduled to be completed in the first quarter of 2023 and consists of two buildings opposite the Fersa Group's headquarters.

**Video:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ff5QbrO1lwY>

**About Fersa Group:**

Fersa Group is a Spanish multinational corporation with more than 50 years' experience in the design, manufacture and distribution of high-performance bearing solutions, specialising in automotive and industrial bearing applications for OEMs, Tier1, and MRO/Aftermarket. The company has a strong international presence with customers in more than 100 countries, four manufacturing plants, sixteen logistics centres, and three R&D centres. In 2021, Fersa Group had a strong year with a turnover of more than 105 million euros. This year, the bearing specialist expects to continue its rapid growth and to reach a turnover of 138 million euros in 2022.

**Contact:**

Fersa Group  
Ronda del Canal Imperial de Aragón, 14  
Polígono Industrial de PLAZA

50197 Zaragoza, Spain  
Tel.: +34 976 333858  
E-mail: [marketing@fersa.com](mailto:marketing@fersa.com)  
Internet Fersa: [www.fersa.com](http://www.fersa.com)  
Internet NKE Austria: [www.nke.at/en](http://www.nke.at/en)

**PR contact:**

TPR International  
Christiane Tupac-Yupanqui  
PO Box 11 40  
82133 Olching, Germany  
Phone +49 8142 44 82 301  
E-mail [c.tupac@tradepressrelations.com](mailto:c.tupac@tradepressrelations.com)  
Internet [www.tradepressrelations.com](http://www.tradepressrelations.com)

*TPR International would be grateful for a copy of the publication with this article.*