EPC and FST join forces in the new group Surface Technology Services.

Engineered Performance Coatings, based in Cardiff (UK) and Flame Spray Technologies based in Duiven (NL) join forces and form Surface Technology Services (STS).

STS is a total solution group active in Thermal Spray Technologies. Thermal Spray is a surface engineering technique used to add or to restore functionality to components surface by applying a specifically designed and engineered coating. Such coating functionality includes protection against multiple modes of wear as well as adding surface characteristics not present within the component base material.

Thermal Spray has provided functional solutions within Aerospace, Power Generation, Manufacturing, Automotive, Steel, Agriculture and Petrochemical industry sectors for decades and continues to be an important technology to support sustainability, the circular economy and development of new energy solutions.

Engineered Performance Coatings (<u>www.ep-coatings.com</u>) offers complete (inhouse) coating services, including coating development and manufacturing of complete coated and finished components.

Flame Spray Technologies (<u>www.fst.nl</u>) designs and manufactures thermal spray equipment, offers engineered coating solutions and distributes consumables such as powders and spare parts used in the thermal spray process.

Both companies will continue to operate independently under the flag of STS.

STS offers its services worldwide to many industry sectors and to a broad customer base; including large multinational and blue chip companies. Operating from its facilities in the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Singapore and the United States, STS is able to be a true global partner to its customers.

The formation of the new group and the further growth strategy are supported by Batavorum Capital, an investment company based in Nijmegen (NL) that actively participates in small and medium sized companies. Batavorum acts as a management advisory at a strategic level and supports companies in achieving their objectives.

The group will be led by Nathan Davies (CEO) and Menno Zwetsloot (CTO), who are currently managing directors of EPC and FST respectively.

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