

Ivens NV will this year be dominated by the 80 year anniversary of the company. The company which is strategic situated in the Port of Antwerp, has a rich history and is at the same time still moving their boundaries. Ivens Construction has significantly invested to meet as optimal as possible the demands in the future. Ivens expanded the last five years in which the amount of employees has doubled to a total of around 150 skilled people. The growth of the company and complete team has lead to the construction of a new office building at the premises in Antwerp, which will be opened in a few months.

Ivens NV is a family owned company with as core business the construction of storage tanks for the petrochemical market according the highest quality standards. It is an international operating company with a very strong reputation in Belgium and abroad. Besides the construction of new tanks, Ivens is also specialized in renovation of tanks and other steel constructions.

Ivens NV is a professional company with a strong focus on safety, quality, service, expertise, innovation and flexibility. They are specialized in design, prefabrication and erection of storage tanks, and everything what comes with it. Ivens currently also takes care of floating roofs, piping, custom made steel constructions, pressure vessels, loading stations etc. The enormous possibilities which Ivens has to offer enclose for example engineering, special transports, crane activities, and so on. Everything will be executed from A to Z by a skilled and motivated team which dispose of the latest systems, techniques and equipment.

Ivens is able to make projects totally designed to the request of the customer. The market of the company consists of a significant part of all petrochemical companies situated in the different ports and industrial cities around western Europe. In addition Ivens is also increasingly focussing on the Middle and Far East regions in the world.

"I'm proud of our team. Our people dispose of the necessary expertise, know how and motivation to literally push the boundaries of Ivens to realize total concept projects abroad.", as said by Ms Greet Ivens, General Manager and co-owner of the company. She, her cousin Peter Van de Perck (co-owner) and Jan Jochems (Director) form the executive board of Ivens NV.

Her grandfather, Leon, founded the company in 1930, the year in which her father, Eduard, was born who brought the company to the level it is right now.

Eduard Ivens, who is becoming 80 years this year is still daily involved in the company.

Ivens Construction is the heart of the Ivens Group. The company not only makes enormous constructions but also delivers them flawless and safely to the final destination. Over the years the fleet also expanded and Ivens decided to execute transportation contracts of third parties. On top of it Ivens focussed as well on mobile cranes with lifting capacities from 40 up to 140 ton for rental purposes. All transport and renting activities were brought together in 1976 in a new subsidiary "Ivens Transport and Crane Company".

"We are convinced that there always will be projects to execute, despite of the actual economical recession. That's why we still keep investing to be ready for the future. After thirty years and eight times the number of employees there was a need for a new office building. The last years we also invested in extra construction halls and new machinery to meet the needs of the customers' requirements.

We want to execute as much as possible in house and the minimum being dependent on others. Materials like plates, profiles, pipes are off course bought, but all treatments (prefabrication) is done in our shop. Partly because of this, Ivens Transport and Cranes and Roll-It were founded.

The focus right now is aimed on the Netherlands because there is currently a large number of projects launched of which this year the construction will start. For me the entrepreneurship includes: serve clients in a proper manner, always be honest and serving the right answer to customers and staff. It is all about searching and finding the best solutions together. Besides this it is essential to keep on investing: in machinery, buildings, expertise and personnel. My door is always open to everyone, customers and employees. Moreover I want, like my father, to know what exactly is happening on the work floor. Primarily is the continuity of the company. Within 20 years, at the 100 year anniversary we want to still be there in all aspects."