

Press Release

BMZ to close production plant in North Macedonia, consolidating European manufacturing. Production moves to Poland.

[Ilinden, North Macedonia / Karlstein, Germany, July 17, 2026] – **BMZ, a global provider of battery technology solutions, with 10 locations worldwide, will close its plant in Ilinden, North Macedonia and will hand over all production business to BMZ Poland. The decision affects 89 employees at BMZ plant in North Macedonia. The CEO and the General Management informed them this week, ahead of this announcement.**

Ensuring customer supply

Supply continues. Production will be transferred to BMZ Poland, which already operates to the same specifications and quality standards. The transfer will happen in stages between August and December 2026. Each affected customer has been contacted by BMZ. Product specifications, certifications and quality standards remain unchanged.

Commitment to employees

This decision affects 89 employees at our plant in North Macedonia. Individual conversations began this week. Every affected colleague will hear about their own situation from us. BMZ is committed to handling this transition responsibly, transparently, and respectfully. The location will keep operating until the end of 2026 to ensure an orderly handover.

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About BMZ Battery Solutions Group

BMZ Battery Solutions Group, headquartered in Karlstein am Main, Germany, is a leading international manufacturer of high-performance battery systems and a long-term technology partner in the electrification and decarbonization of key industrial sectors. The group traces its origins back to 1994 and today looks back on more than 30 years of experience in the development and industrial implementation of advanced battery systems. Since 2025, the BMZ Group has been part of SKion, an investment company founded by Susanne Klatten.

Its solutions are used worldwide across industry, e-mobility, stationary energy storage, and medical technology. With more than 1,450 highly qualified employees and over 194,000 m² of production space, BMZ Battery Solutions operates manufacturing sites in Germany, Poland, China, Brazil, and the United States, as well as sales and service locations in the United Kingdom, Japan, and Hong Kong.

The company focuses on developing integrated battery systems along the entire value chain - from concept development and prototyping to intelligent control systems and interface technologies, scalable series production, global service, and concepts for battery recycling and reuse (second life applications). BMZ Battery Solutions combines advanced lithium-ion technologies with alternative cell chemistries to continuously improve efficiency, safety, and sustainability, while actively shaping future market needs.