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Our CEO, Bernardo Velázquez, highlighted that diversification is of key importance in a world as uncertain as ours. “Being resilient is about resisting; however I prefer to be a leader. Spanish companies are well-prepared to be leaders, but to demonstrate how good we are in Europe, we need protection against unfair competition.”

“ Velázquez added that, regarding the steel industry, **“the EU is moving in the right direction, although not as fast as we would like.”**

Achieving excellence in Sustainable Procurement with ISO 20400

We are proud to announce that we are at the top of the industry after obtaining ISO 20400 certification, positioning ourselves among the **global leaders in sustainability and operational excellence.**

This milestone not only consolidates our purchasing processes but also strengthens our sustainability policies. Furthermore, this achievement represents real value for our customers, thanks to our team’s talent and the collaboration with suppliers aligned with our values.



Friends and colleagues, we're celebrating our 40th anniversary!

Four decades have passed in which we have evolved from our initial beginnings as a national association to being an active part of the Acerinox Group's operations, promoting products from the Group's five factories and enhancing our international visibility. You are all familiar with our four pillars: inform, support, disseminate, and train; which we uphold at all times for the benefit of the Group. Cedinox will continue to serve Acerinox by contributing our experience through:

40 YEARS

- **Providing information** on the latest industry trends.
- **Developing marketing content** to help commercialize our products.
- **Advising** on all types of projects.
- **Training professionals.**

Thank you all for making this possible.



2025: The year we adopted Gemini AI: From novelty to our daily tool



In March 2025, we completed the rollout implementation of Gemini, reaching more than 3,000 users across the organization.

Thanks to our collective effort, **we have successfully integrated Artificial Intelligence into our work in a safe and efficient manner.** The year-end data speaks for itself: the implementation has been a resounding success, and... **we have multiplied its application!**

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At the Compliance Department, we have a clear conviction: data protection is not just a checkmark on a list of legal tasks. Privacy is the engine that builds trust with our customers, suppliers, and colleagues. Every time we handle personal information, we have an opportunity to demonstrate our integrity. **We don't just obey the rules; we strive to "do the right thing".**

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Prioritize data security in every interaction



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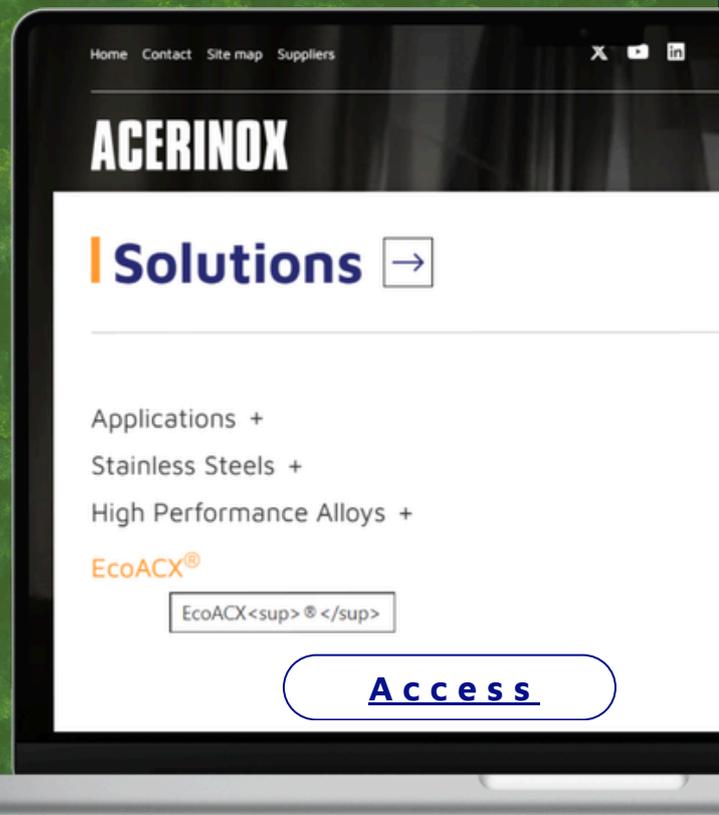
CDP (Carbon Disclosure Project) is a global non-profit organization that aims to make environmental transparency and risk management the business standard. Obtaining a 'B' rating means that CDP recognizes us as an organization that not only reports data but that actively manages its climate and water challenges.

This result matches the rating we obtained in 2024 and consolidates our position at the 'Management' level. While obtaining a 'B' rating is a recognition of our current management efforts, we remain committed to further strengthening our decarbonization and water efficiency strategies.



EcoACX® is now live on our corporate website!

Teamwork always pays off, and today we celebrate a very special milestone: EcoACX® has been officially launched on our corporate website. Sharing our purpose is now easier than ever. We want to thank you for your dedication, which has made this digital website possible. This is only the beginning: stay tuned, as we will soon be adding new tools and features to keep this space growing



LATEST NEWS FROM OUR FACTORIES



Everett Vazzana,
new VP of
Operations at
Haynes
International



Haynes
participates at
the Stainless &
Special Alloys
Conference

**Acerinox
Europa**
rewards the
ingenuity and
experience of
its workforce



VDM Metals
presents the
Supplier of the
Year Award 2025
to SachsenEnergie

Long product
strategic
meeting at
Roldán

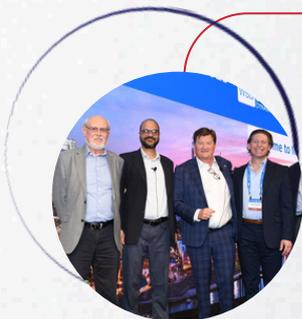


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Everett Vazzana, new VP of Operations at Haynes International

Everett has been an integral part of North American Stainless since April 1991. Over the years, he has progressed to become the Manager of Electrical Maintenance and Digitalization across our entire manufacturing base. In his new position at Haynes International, Everett will help bridge operational practices and foster alignment across the combined enterprise. His deep expertise in optimizing systems will be vital to our shared success.



Haynes participates at the Stainless & Special Alloys Conference

One of our high-performance alloy experts, Vinay Deodeshmukh, spoke at the North American Stainless & Special Alloys Conference in November in Nashville, Tennessee. Attendees engaged in insightful discussions on the state of the global and North American stainless steel and special alloy markets and key issues that will shape the business in 2026.

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Acerinox Europa rewards the ingenuity and experience of its workforce

The company presented the annual **Rafael Naranjo** Awards for the best proposals to improve the factory and also recognized the loyalty of employees with 15 and 25 years of service history, and with two decades of uninterrupted attendance at work.



VDM Metals presents the Supplier of the Year Award 2025 to SachsenEnergie

SachsenEnergie not only won the tender with extremely competitive terms and conditions, but also impressed with its outstanding customer focus and service quality. By greening VDM's electricity portfolio, SachsenEnergie is making a significant contribution to the implementation of our Group sustainability goals and, as a supplier, is actively creating transparency about its own ESG profile.

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Long product strategic meeting at **Roldán**

The meeting involved representatives from ACX Germany, Italy, Scandinavia, the UK, France, Switzerland, and Poland, along with the commercial management and long product development teams of Acerinox S.A. During the event, site visits and several workshops were carried out to define and share the commercial strategy for 2026, ensuring the alignment of objectives for the next financial year.

