

# SSAB and Faurecia to collaborate on fossil-free steel for automotive seat structures

**SSAB is teaming up with Faurecia to jointly explore the development of fossil-free advanced high-strength steel for use in the automotive seating business.**

This partnership makes Faurecia, one of the world's leading automotive technology companies, the first supplier to the automotive industry to explore fossil-free steel with SSAB.

As part of the collaboration, Faurecia secured SSAB fossil-free steel to start equipping its seating structures from 2026 and onwards. SSAB will provide Faurecia with the industry's most ambitious and advanced fossil-free steel, using hydrogen and fossil-free electricity instead of coking coal and other fossil fuels traditionally used to make steel.

"We are very happy to work with Faurecia, a forerunner in the automotive supplier industry, on developing advanced high-strength, fossil-free steel products. We have been strengthening our cooperation and increasing our business with Faurecia for some time with the focus on Advanced High-Strength Steels, making car components stronger, lighter and safer. Now we are committed to bring our cooperation to the next level by introducing SSAB Fossil-Free AHSS steels increasingly from 2026 and onwards, to contribute to Faurecia's decarbonization targets and reduce global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions," says **Martin Lindqvist**, President and CEO at SSAB.

"We are very proud to be the first automotive supplier to secure fossil-free steel produced by SSAB. This is a major step in our CO<sub>2</sub> neutrality journey for scope 3. We are driving our roadmap with conviction and determination and take every step possible to achieve our ambition," says **Patrick Koller**, Chief Executive Officer at Faurecia.

SSAB aims to deliver fossil-free steel to the market at a commercial scale in 2026 and then gradually convert all its operations and become a fossil-free company latest in 2045.

SSAB fossil-free steel is made from iron produced using HYBRIT technology. HYBRIT was created by SSAB, LKAB and Vattenfall in 2016, with the aim to develop a technology using hydrogen and fossil-free electricity instead of coking coal in iron- and steelmaking. In August 2021, SSAB was able to show the world's first fossil-free steel based on hydrogen-reduced iron produced at HYBRIT's pilot plant in Luleå, Sweden, an essential step toward a complete fossil-free value chain for steel-making.

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