

Balashov (Russia) –
Makprom's first milling
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MODERNISATION OF THE MILLING INDUSTRY

OCRIM ALONGSIDE THE MAJOR PASTA MANUFACTURERS OF THE FORMER SOVIET UNION

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In the countries of the former Soviet Union, for some years now, a modernisation process of the milling industry has been underway and Ocrim, thanks to its cutting-edge technology, is making an important contribution to this development.

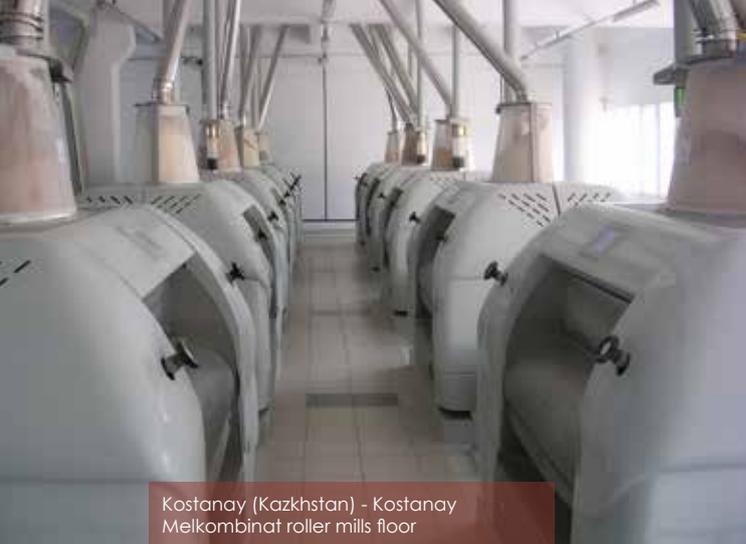
In fact, in Russia, Kazakhstan and Belarus, Ocrim is the main actor in terms of increasing the presence of semolina plants. The Cremona-based company offers a meticulous and versatile process, since it is able to provide traditional plants for large-scale production, as well as more complex and customised plants, which require very

specific technical features, suggested to customers by Ocrim or requested directly and designed together.

Furthermore, some companies have developed a certain sensitivity towards organic raw materials and, for this reason, they have chosen Ocrim as a partner for their projects, as it is a company fully in line with this choice, as shown by its participation in The Italian Agri-Food Chain Choice project over the last years.

In these countries, there has also been an increase in demand for the use of stainless-steel and, in general, for innovative materials in the plants, in order to guarantee the wholesomeness

Makprom - Plant from the outside



Kostanay (Kazakhstan) - Kostanay Melkombinat roller mills floor



Cheljabinsk (Russia) - Makfa milling plant roller mills floor

and excellence of the finished products and the utmost attention to sanitation.

Finally, another important factor in Ocrim's rise in the market of the former Soviet Union concerns the aspects related to automation. Increasingly more companies belonging to this geographical area, in fact, feel the need to renew themselves and to simplify the work inside the mill, while maintaining a high yield index that ensures production characterised by high-level performance characteristics.

In Russia, Ocrim is the official partner of the two major pasta manufacturers, Makprom and Makfa.

After eight years, Makprom, a CI GROUP subsidiary, has once again chosen Ocrim to build its second durum wheat semolina mill, with a capacity of 400 t/24h. The semolina will be processed at the new pasta factory, just like eight years ago with the first mill.

The new plant will have the same characteristics as the previous one, as all the machines are made of stainless steel and designed and configured in the same way, but with Ocrim's current technological standard. This shows that the positive results achieved by the company for some years now have led Makprom to choose Ocrim again.

Also in Russia, in the city of Cheljabinsk, Makfa has two semolina mills provided by Ocrim, one featuring a capacity of 330 t/24h and another one with a capacity of 360 t/24h. Both mills have been equipped with stainless-steel machinery, in line with customer requirements. Ocrim is a historic partner for Makfa, as it has followed several projects for the Russian company, as well as providing the two mills.

In Kazakhstan important companies such as Agrimer-Astyk, belonging to the Agromean group, and Kostanay Melkombinat



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Agrimer-Astyk plansifters floor



Balashov (Russia) - Makprom firns milling plant
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have identified Ocrim as their trusted partner.

In the city of Kokshetau, Kazakhstan the new Agrimer-Astyk 200 t/24h plant for organic durum wheat processing was tested last June. The Kazakh company has chosen Ocrim for the design and construction of the plant, both for its high technological profile, and for the attention and sensitivity that Ocrim generally pays to organic products, an approach witnessed, as mentioned before, by the important path of the agri-food chain.

Also in Kazakhstan, in the city of Kostanay, the Kostanay Melkombinat company turned to Ocrim for the reconstruction of the milling section of its 300 t/24h mill, requiring stainless-steel roller mills, for greater attention to sanitation and, therefore, for a very high quality final product to be processed at the pasta factory for their Korona pasta line.

In Belarus, the presence of Ocrim is very strong thanks to new

projects and loyal customers. A clear example is the Borisovsky Melkombinat company, a top player in pasta manufacturing in Belarus, which has a milling plant with a capacity of 200 t/24h located in the town of Borisov, built by Ocrim a few years ago, to supply the company's pasta factory.

Therefore, even in the countries of the former Soviet Union, as in the rest of the world, Ocrim can be defined as a partner more than just a supplier, for its ability to understand customer needs and to suggest the right solutions.

Ocrim's philosophy concerning the professional and human relationship it establishes with customers, combined with the skills and technical knowledge of its team and continuous innovation, acts as a real guarantee for productivity and works in line with customer needs and the expectations of end consumers.

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