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## Premium OEM awards major contract: Rheinmetall wins trailblazing order for lightweight components

KS HUAYU AluTech GmbH, a joint venture of the technology group Rheinmetall AG and Chinese auto parts manufacturer HASCO, has won a new order from a German premium automaker.

The order, worth just under €60 million, is for a structural part, specifically a rear end side member with integrated suspension strut and axle socket, destined for installation in a vehicle from a premium carmaker. The component will be installed in models powered by internal combustion engines as well as plug-in hybrid and all-electric variants.

Full-scale production of the pressure-cast aluminium part begins in 2024; the order runs for eight years. In line with principle of “local for local”, production will take place at KS HUAYU AluTech’s main German plant in Neckarsulm, thus assuring short shipping distances and lower, climate-friendly CO2 emissions.

For KS HUAYU AluTech, the order is particularly important in that it highlights the company’s strategic reorientation as an expert for large, highly complex structural cast parts for vehicles powered by conventional engines as well as models featuring new drive technologies. First and foremost, the customer was impressed by the underlying total technical concept of this highly integrative cast product, which in future will replace several subassemblies and individual components.

### ► Key facts

- Rheinmetall joint venture KS HUAYU AluTech wins important new order from premium automaker
- Order worth nearly €60 million
- Complex structural part with integrated strut suspension and axle socket
- Delivery begins in 2024; contract runs for 8 years
- Production in Neckarsulm

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