

# Press release

# Safran Group deploys Additive Industries' flagship MetalFAB1 to boost productivity and safety in additive manufacturing

November 16, 2021 – Eindhoven (The Netherlands) - Additive Industries is pleased to announce that the Safran Additive Manufacturing Campus - part of the Safran Group - has successfully deployed its flagship MetalFAB1 industrial 3D printer.

Safran is a global leader in the Aerospace and Defence sectors and is a clear innovation and technology leader. Its core mission is to contribute to safer and more sustainable aviation. Safran has a global presence, with 76,000 employees and sales of 16.5 billion euros in 2020 and holds, alone or in partnership, world or regional leadership positions in its core markets. Safran Group is the largest aerospace engine company in Europe and a number one user of AM systems in the European Aerospace market.

Safran selected the modular and scalable MetalFAB1 3D printer for its high quality capabilities, its safe operation and its gains in productivity. The company deploys the system to manufacture highly complex parts for its aviation, defence and space business in which parts manufacturing has to meet the most stringent technical and quality requirements. Safran installed the MetalFAB1 in June 2021 for testing. After preliminary acceptance in July 2021 the company has now officially accepted the solution.

Ian C. Howe, CEO at Additive Industries: "We are honoured that Safran has chosen the MetalFAB1 technology and our company and we are excited to embark on a long term partnership in developing the technology and applications together with Safran group. We are convinced our technologies have an excellent fit with the highly technical market Safran is operating in and we are committed to contributing to Safran's endeavour in developing new applications with additive manufacturing, including high productivity and quality, combined with maximum safety for the workforce."

"We are proud to acknowledge, that with the support of their first MetalFAB1, the Safran's Additive Manufacturing Centre has been able to produce their first aeronautical parts at their new site. We are looking forward to expanding the range of the applications and materials in this intense and strong collaboration", added Stéphane Escalier, Director Business Development France at Additive Industries.

"With the integration of a MetalFAB1 AM printer in Safran, we have the ambition to meet the challenge of performance at the right level of quality of raw material and productivity for Aluminium,

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declares FX Foubert (CEO of SAMC), who underlines the good relationship with Additive Industries, and which makes us confident about reaching our ambitious targets."

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### **About Additive Industries**

Additive Industries is a 3D metal printer manufacturer for high-quality metal parts. It offers a system specifically aimed at high-end and demanding industrial markets. With class-leading build volume, robustness as well as productivity, Additive Industries redefines the business case for aerospace, automotive, energy and high-tech equipment. Headquartered in the Netherlands, Additive Industries has demo and service centers in the USA, UK and Singapore and is a global key player in large volume metal printing systems.