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**AT WIRE 2006 DÜSSELDORF**

**Stand No. 10 E 56**

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**Continuous casting technology specialists, Rautomead Limited, of Dundee, will be presenting models from their innovative range of oxygen-free copper and copper alloy wire rod casting machines at the forthcoming Wire 2006 exhibition in Düsseldorf.**

As well as a wide variety of continuous casting solutions, embracing Rautomead's naturally oxygen-reducing graphite crucible and high intensity electric resistance heating, for the production of the highest quality 8mm dia. CuOF wire for smaller capacities, visitors to Stand 10 E 56 will also be able to find out about the company's new RDG Series machines.

Developed in close collaboration with induction heating specialists, INDUGA GmbH & Co. KG of Germany, and offering impressively low operating costs, the new RDG models combine the advantages of graphite furnace technology in a single melting, holding and casting furnace, and have rated outputs of 10,000 – 12,000 tonnes-per-annum and 18,000 – 20,000 tonnes- per-annum – all without the need for hot metal transfer.

Producing the highest quality oxygen-free copper redraw rod (8.0mm – 12.7mm dia.), RDG Series machines feature automatic cathode feed, a single channel-type induction furnace with separate melting and holding baths, multiple-strand casting stations, super-cooling design and withdrawal technology, plus five-tonne capacity rod coilers.

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