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## Professional protection for 40 cents per day

The GEVORKYAN s.r.o. company belongs among the most innovative companies in the sphere of powder metallurgy in the world. The new coronavirus has spread and we could not stand back and do nothing, but we readily adapted processes. Nowadays, we produce tens of thousands of masks daily.

### How did the idea to produce masks emerge?

We wanted to protect our people. Our company has been dealing with the filters made of various materials for many years, including those containing silver, copper, and so on. Therefore, when the pandemic has spread, the idea was to use our experience with filtration. Furthermore, in recent years our company has invested millions of euros into the technologies of 3D print, the injection of the various mixtures of metal and non-metal materials, and thus we developed capacities for financial mass production.

**You are one of the very few companies in the world that has experience with the use of powders made of silver, with saturating one material by another. What makes this method exceptional?**

It is exceptional because we saturate one material by another, which is difficult to imagine in other technologies.

They are very sophisticated technological processes, but we have know-how.

### How can it help in the manufacture of protective equipment?

It provides us with a large range of possibilities to combine various materials and technologies.

### How many masks do you produce and what are priority markets?

Our production capacity is from 20 up to 50 thousand pieces per day, as required. Our priority is to deliver for large manufacturing companies, banks all over the world and for states so that they could protect civil servants (army, police, and so on). We have various design solutions protected by patents to ensure it.

### How did your employees accept this idea?

Great!!! At present, we have a lot of fun in the company, our employees develop and combine various designs and colours of the masks, women are good at matching masks' colour with clothes, hair colour... However, the most important is that we did not have to close our company, because our staff is protected, and we operate 3-4 shifts in the present difficult times. In general, people understand that our work really reduces the spread of virus.

### Do you have any other ideas how to reorient your production within the framework of corona crisis?

Certainly, but I cannot make it public. It is important that we donate masks to those who cannot afford them or where state authorities did not manage to supply, such as outpatient departments, police, army, municipalities, disabled or elderly people's organisations. We also do it for other countries. On April 20, we started a special action named "Restart of Economy". Neighbouring states gradually start to lift measures, because economy cannot stand long lasting quarantine. Thus, it is very important to protect people who will start to move outside and will be at work all day. We will provide special discounts for the companies purchasing a large number of the masks to protect their employees. We understand this situation as a war, and **we cannot win this battle just standing back and doing nothing.**



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