NIKO Overhead Conveyor Systems For PAINTING LINES Case study evaluation



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NIKO Overhead Conveyor System will provide you with the advantage you need for your painting line.

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Why buy a NIKO conveyor system?

BENEFITS OF NIKO overhead conveyor systems for painting lines over other type of Conveyors

NIKO Conveyor system

Less floor space required

Niko Overhead Conveyor requires some floorbased support structures but this can be strategically placed at facility edges and corners to minimize their footprint. Monorails run on tracks installed directly into the ceiling and, therefore leave no footprint on the floor at all.

Avoid any re-paint procedure

Easy handling loadbars moved by hand, no contact with the painted product. Employee transfers the load hanged on loadbars and drives them throught the conveyor line. The worker touch the product in the loading zone and again after the whole process is finished.

Less safety hazards for workers and equipment.

Niko Overhead Conveyor reduce physical labor,provide easy moving solution for increased efficiency and reduce injuries caused by improper lifting and falling materials

Easier manipulation of products even after exit of products from drying/curing process.

Varied of products (in size, type and weight) and bigger amount of products to be suspended on loadbar(s) at the same time, thus increase productivity.

Options of overhead parking zones for products storage before proceeding to any other process.

Less workers needed to operate an overhead conveyor system compared to forklift systems thus increased productivity and reduce cost compared to Cart system.

Multi directional options without having to occupy additional workers.

Applicable in limited spaces.

Painting line with forklifts



Systems with forklifts create many facility limitations. Bulky ride-on movers generate clutter and restrict floor space because they require wide pathways and intersections to maneuver. Even when they are not in operation, forklifts and pallets with product (near to each process) and ride-on movers take up a large amount of space on the floor and get in the way of the production.

On the contrary, on systems with forklifts, products after painting must be transferred and most of the time are touching each other and paint gets skratched. When employee moves parts from powder paint to oven, most of the time the product get in touch with his body. Products get in contact and might need to be repainted meaning additional cost



Floor-movers can impose safety hazards for workers and equipment.

Forklift operators must be trained and certified to operate the forklifts.

Niko power chain conveyor



Niko Systems occupy less space.

Ovens can be build smaller thus save money on equipment, on energy fuels and no big heat lose.

Easier handling of loading and unloading zones since they are free of chain.

With Niko System the customer has the option to create parking zones in different areas like masking or inspection areas.

Niko System costs less.

Easily modified when a customer needs to make an extension.

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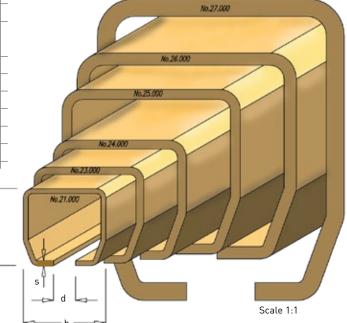
When the system is running you can touch the track without danger.

NIKO enclosed track profile ensures that the bearings are not exposed to the environment therefore cause damage to trolley.

NIKO Track Profiles

Our wide range of 6 Track profile sizes can accommodate loads up to 2.000 kg. The NIKO enclosed track tapered design allows correct alignment of the trolleys and reduces the possibility of dust build up. This ensures the smooth running of the trolleys and the long life of the conveyor system. NIKO conveyors require only 1-4% force of the weight being lifted in order to operate. For use in special environments we can also offer NIKO tracks & components in stainless steel grade 304 and 316.

	Dimensions			
NIKO Profile No.	h (mm)	b (mm)	d (mm)	s (mm)
21.000	28	30	8	1,75
23.000	35,00	40,00	11,00	2,75
24.000	43,50	48,50	15,00	3,20
25.000	60,00	65,00	18,00	3,60
26.000	75,00	80,00	22,00	4,50
27.000	110,00	90,00	25,00	6,50



In Continuous Running Automatic Power Chain Conveyors the doors remain always open and that results to serious heat lose and cost increase.

In Continuous Running Automatic Power Chain Conveyors it is difficult to load/unload products since the system is in continuous movement. Theremore, it is not possible to make parking zones to load/unload products or buffer zones to mask the technological holes on products before painting and after painting.

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PAINTING LINE - EXAMPLE 1 NIKO power chain conveyor system with swivel switches

Key advantages:



High productivity achieved utilising mechanically automatic switches



The best value for money solution

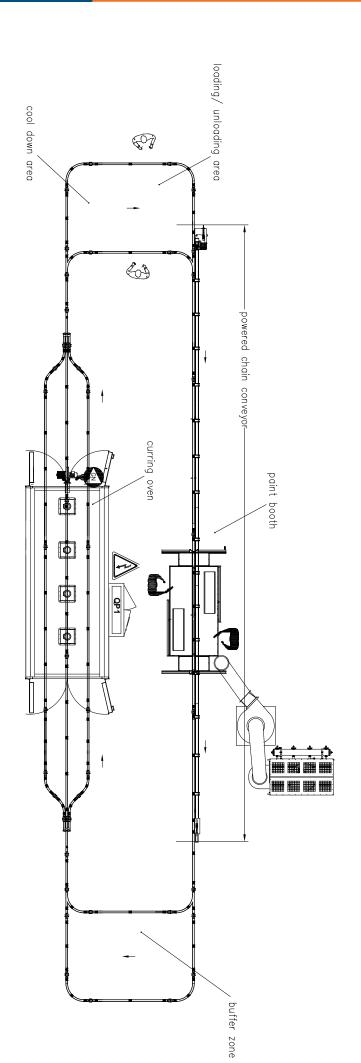


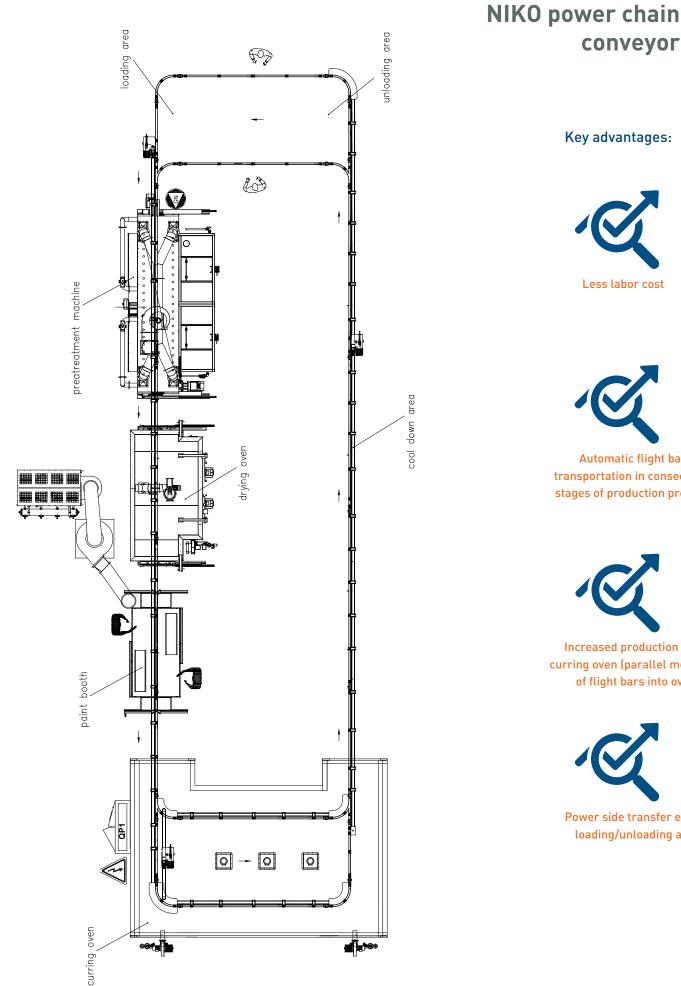
Power side transfer through the painting booth



Optimal space utilization inside the oven









Key advantages:

PAINTING LINE-EXAMPLE 2





Automatic flight bar transportation in consecutive stages of production process



Increased production in the curring oven (parallel movement of flight bars into oven)

Power side transfer except loading/unloading area



PAINTING LINE - EXAMPLE 3 Completeley powered NIKO conveyor system

Key advantages:



Completely powered system with power chain conveyor and batch shuttle with power driven trolley



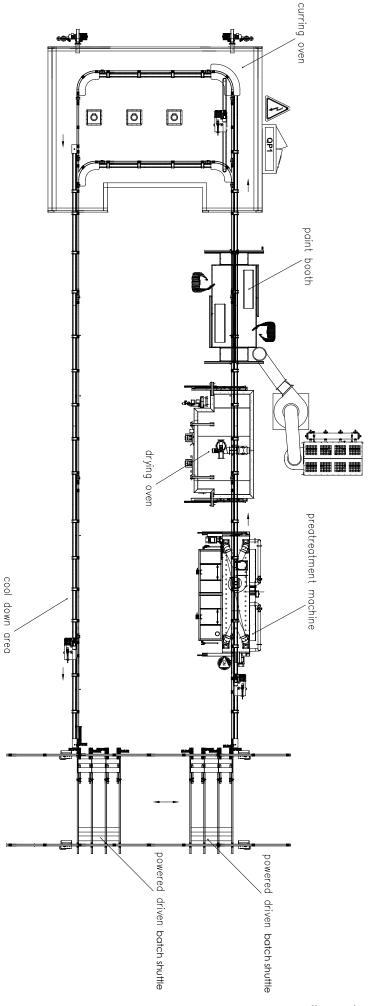




Automatic loading/unloading of flight bars in batch shuttle



Automatic connection between batch shuttle lines and conveyor system



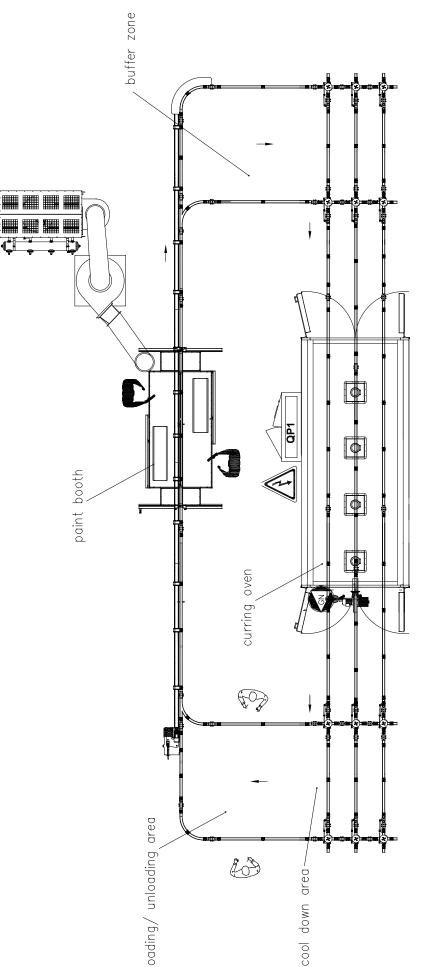


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Power side transfer through the paint booth



Optimal space utilization inside the oven





PAINTING LINE - EXAMPLE 5 NIKO conveyor systems with batch shuttle and power chain in the painting booth

Key advantages:





Power side transfer through the paint booth



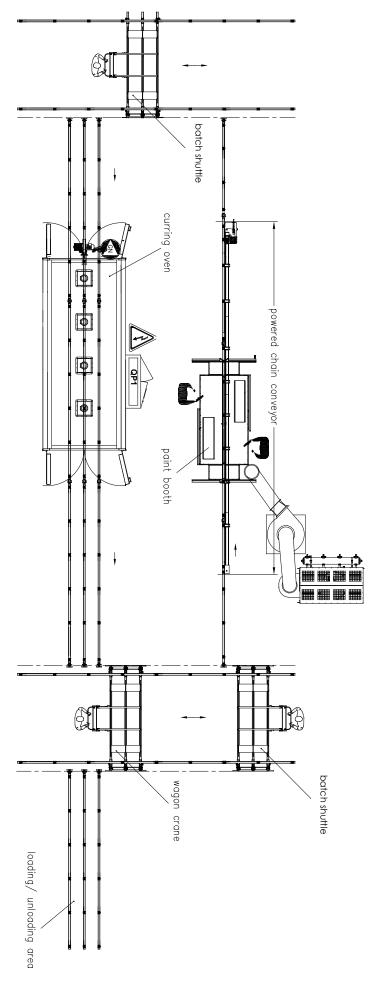
inside the oven





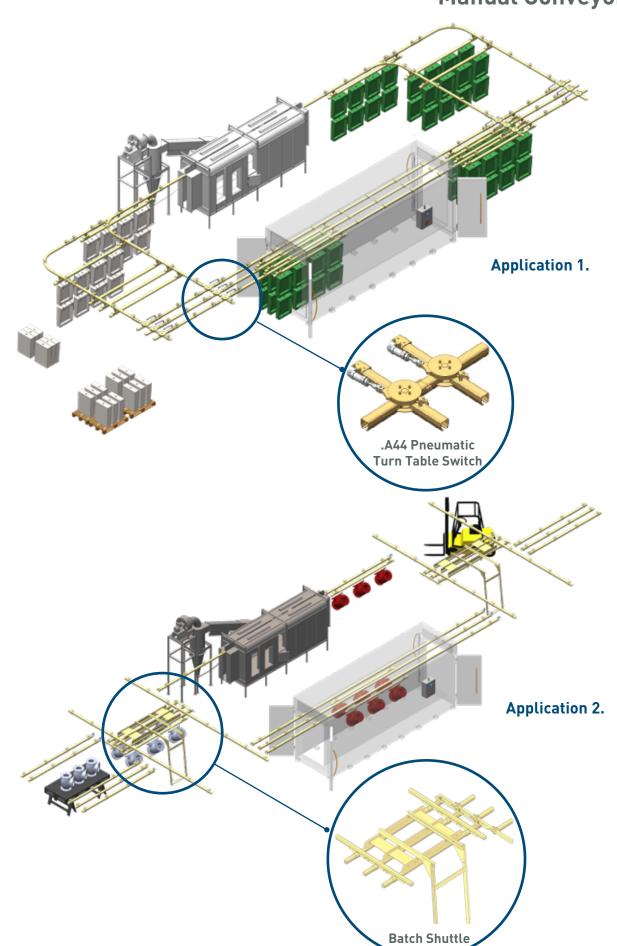
Ergonomically designed batch shuttle





PAINTING LINE-3D APPLICATIONS NIKO Manual Conveyors

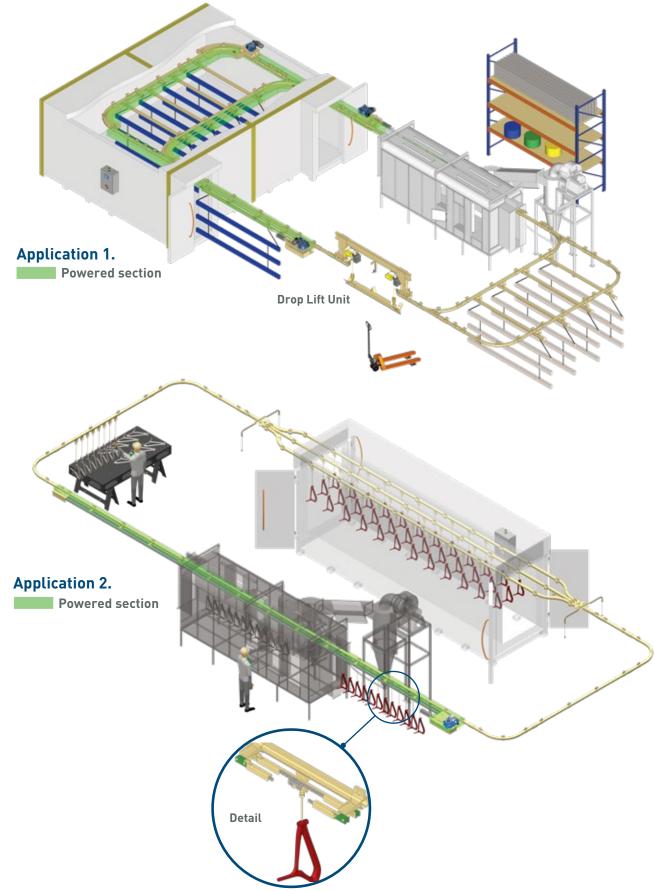






PAINTING LINE - 3D APPLICATIONS

Power Chain Conveyors



Evaluation of NIKO conveyor systems: 3 case studies



The purpose of this case study is the evaluation of the power paint coating installations provided by the Greek company NIKO.

NIKO company systems will be analysed and compared with systems commonly used in the industry, by highlighting the main parameters making the customer investment advantageous. The evaluation will be based on the following criteria:

A. System Productivity

The number of products painted by the painting line per operation day.

B. Human resources costs

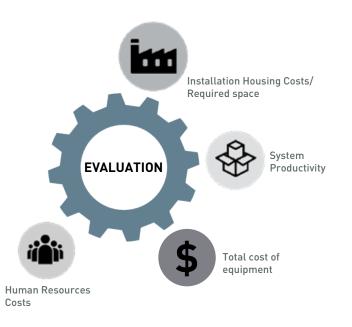
A minimum number of employees is required for the correct operation of the system. The average cost per operation day (2 shifts) and per operator, has been evaluated at 161,5 \$.

C. Installation Housing Costs*

The industrial space required for the installation of the system. The cost per square meter of the system is evaluated at 3,5\$ and the operation days of the system at 22 per month.

D. Total cost of equipment*

The total cost of equipment is reffered to the following costs: curring oven, painting booth, drying oven, washing room and the cost of the conveyor system.



Loading Procedure:

The components are loaded onto the conveyor system of the painting line.

Cleaning Procedure - Preparation:

The components are chemically cleaned for the removal of possible corrosion, lubricants and any residues of previous processing. The cleaning procedure is essential prior to the powder paint coating.

Drying Procedure: Following the chemical cleaning and the surface activation of the material, the painting line continues with the drying of the components. The duration of the drying procedure is 7 minutes at an oven temperature of 80°C.

Powder Paint Coating Procedure: The powder paint is applied to metal parts (aluminium profiles, metal frames, casting parts etc.) using special spray guns. The spray gun positively charges the powder particles, causing repulsion between them, resulting in the even spreading of paint using compressed air. The parts are earthed, attracting the powder particles and ensuring an more even coat of paint, in comparison to wet paint methods.

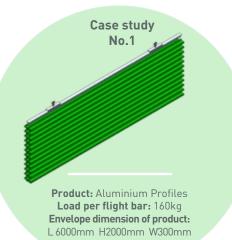
Curing Procedure: The painting line continues with the hardening of the powder paint coat. The components are exposed to an oven temperature of 180°-200°C, for approximately 20 minutes, allowing the powder paint to develop into an even dry protective film.

Unloading Procedure: The components are removed from the curing oven, are unloaded from the conveyor system and are made available for quality control and packaging.

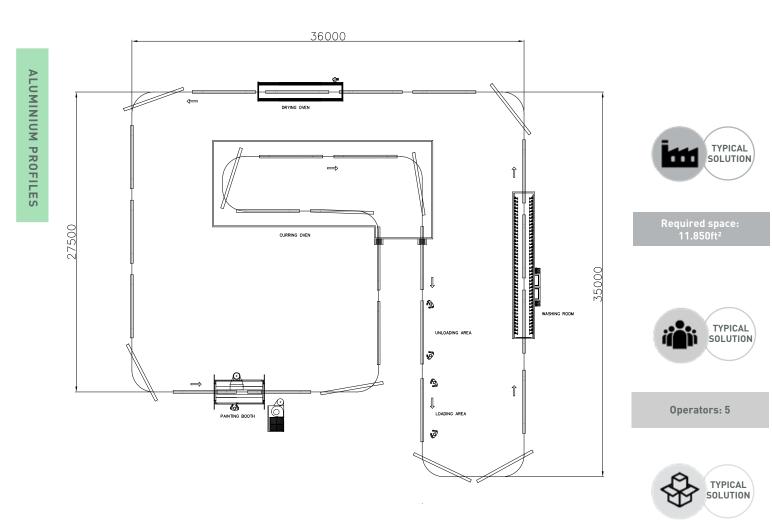
* For this version the costs have been removed from comparisons in case studies 1,3.

Process





A TYPICAL SOLUTION Continuous running conveyor

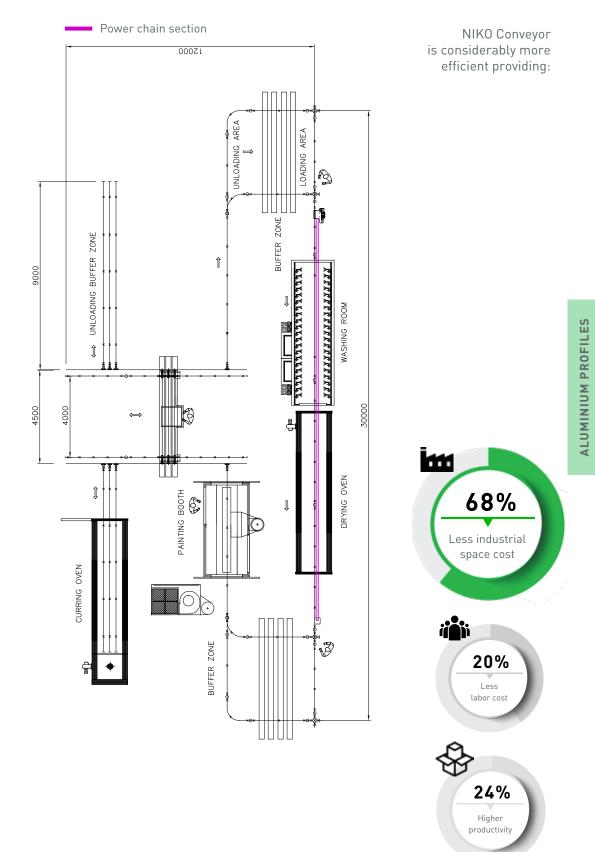


Painting parts / day: 650 pieces

NIKO SOLUTION 1 NIKO conveyor systems with batch shuttle and power chain conveyor



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Required space: 3.875ft²



Operators: 4



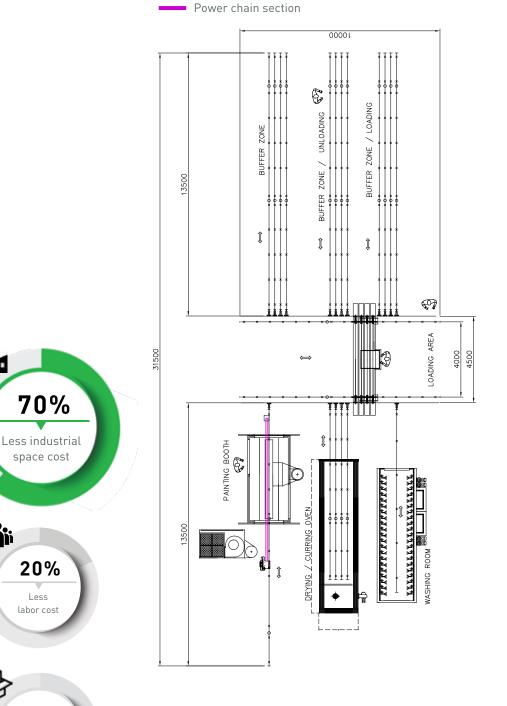
Painting parts / day: 860 pieces



NIKO SOLUTION 2 NIKO conveyor systems with batch shuttle and power chain conveyor



NIKO Conveyor is considerably more efficient providing:







Operators: 4



Painting parts / day: 880 pieces

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NIKO **NIKO SOLUTION 3** NIKO power chain conveyors



NIKO Conveyor

63%

Less industrial

space cost

40%

Less labor cost

45%

Higher productivity

Power chain section is considerably more CURRING OVEN / TAKT TIME efficient providing: 4000 A LOADING / UNLOADING AREA $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$ S# ľ + C PAINTING BOOTH CONTINUOUS RUNNING 111 34500 0009 (+ Ð WASHING ROOM i BUFFER ZONE ķ / TAKT TIME 4000 DRYING OVEN





Operators: 3



Painting parts / day: 1.200 pieces





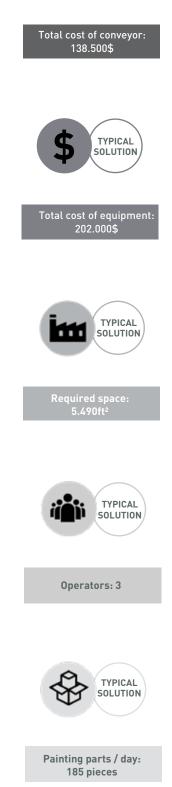


Load per flight bar: 400kg Envelope dimension of product: L 3000mm H1300mm W150mm



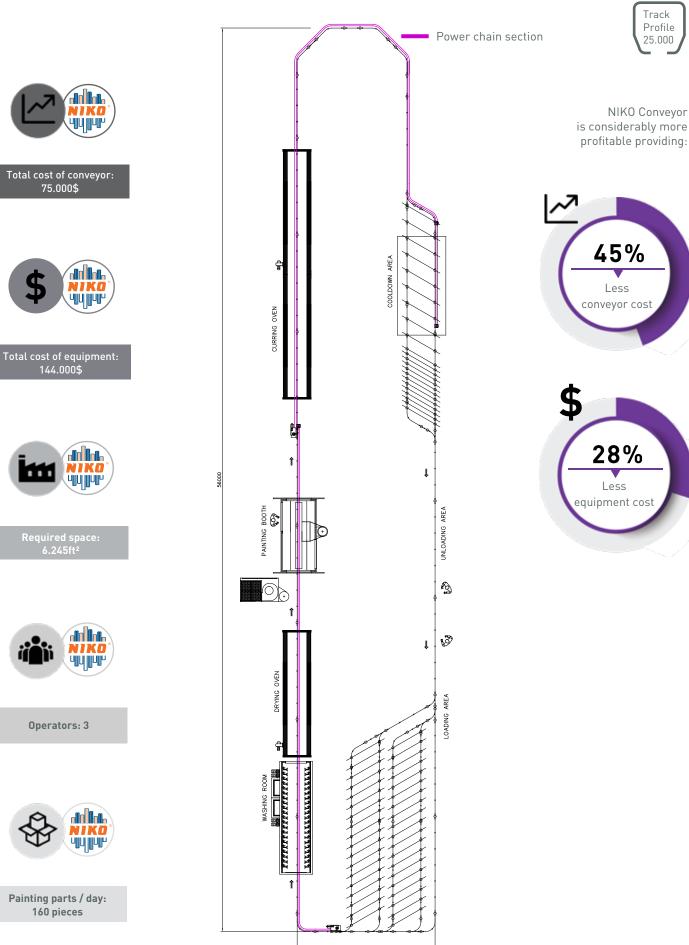


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NIKO SOLUTION 1 NIKO NIKO power chain conveyors

Track Profile 25.000

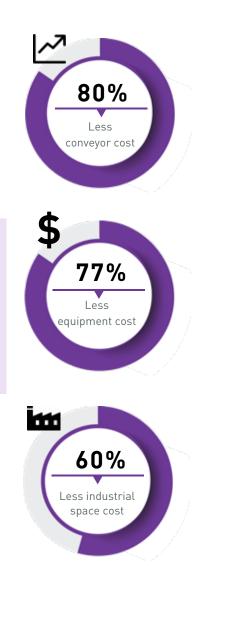


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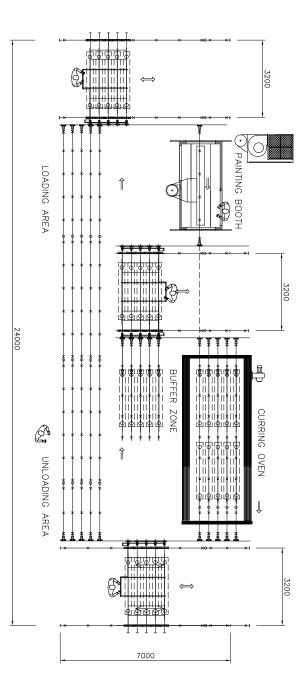




NIKO Conveyor is considerably more profitable providing:



DOOR FRAMES





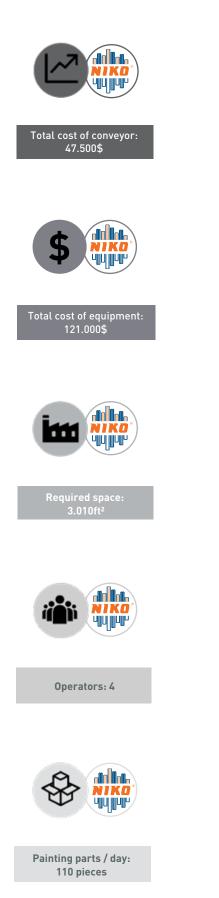
Painting parts / day: 90 pieces

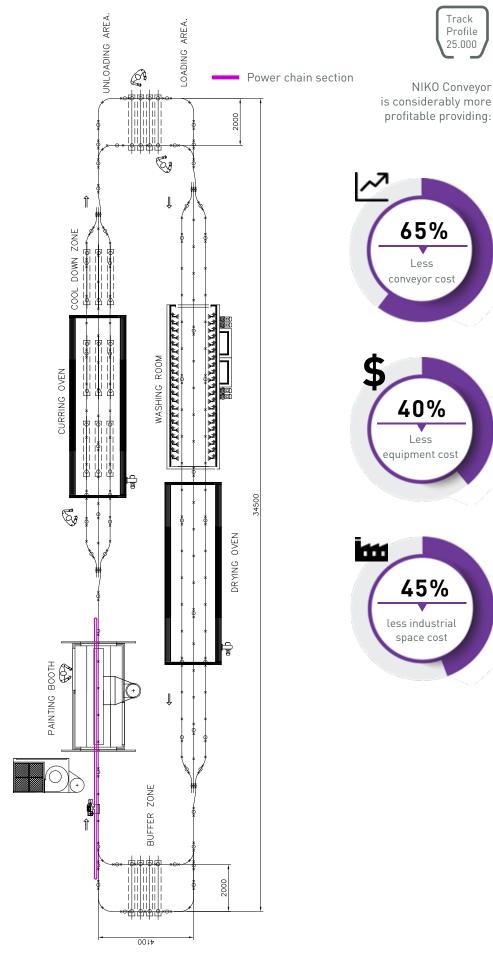
NIKO SOLUTION 3 NIKO conveyor systems with power chain conveyor



Track

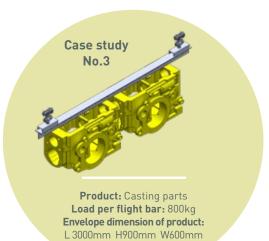
Profile 25.000



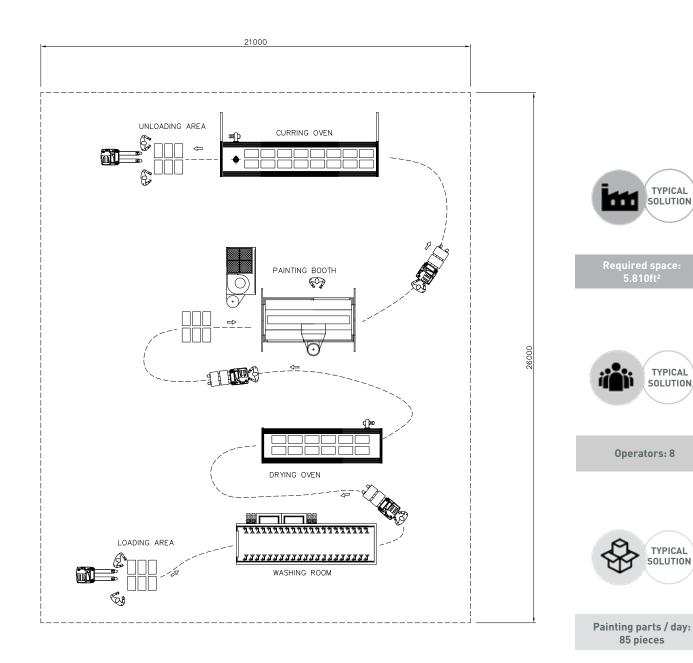








A TYPICAL SOLUTION Painting line with forklift



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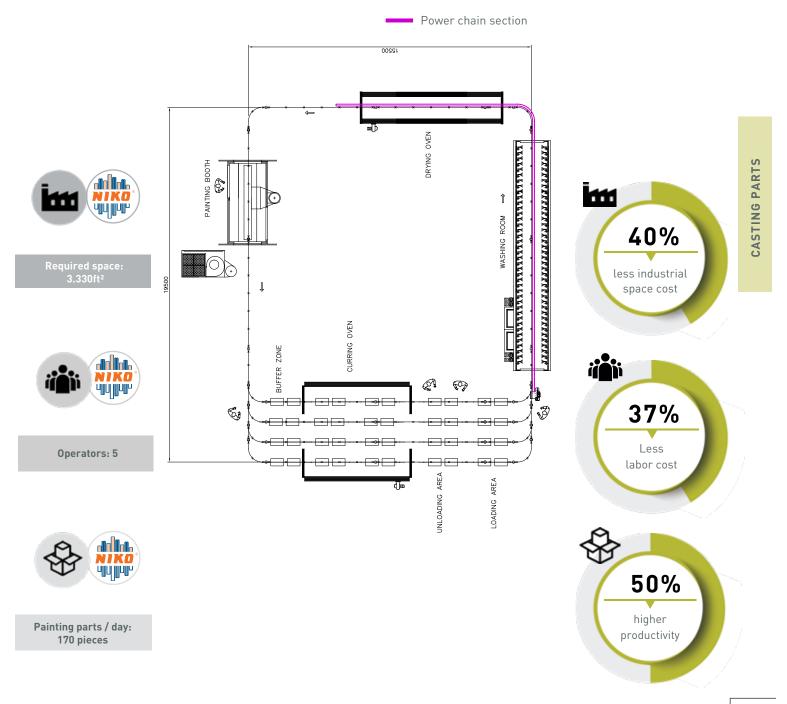
SOLUTION

NIKO SOLUTION 1





NIKO Conveyor is considerably more efficient providing:





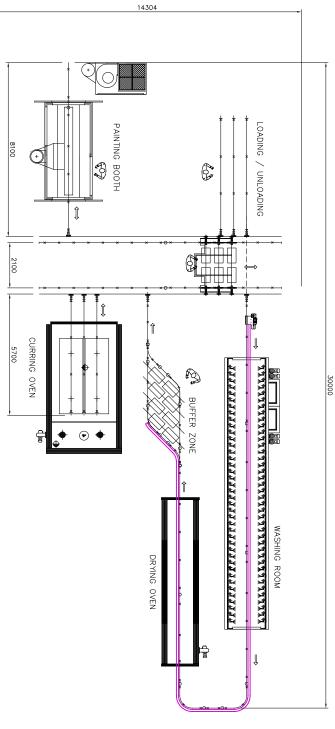
NIKO SOLUTION 2 NIKO conveyor systems with batch shuttle and power chain conveyor



NIKO Conveyor is considerably more efficient providing:

Power chain section







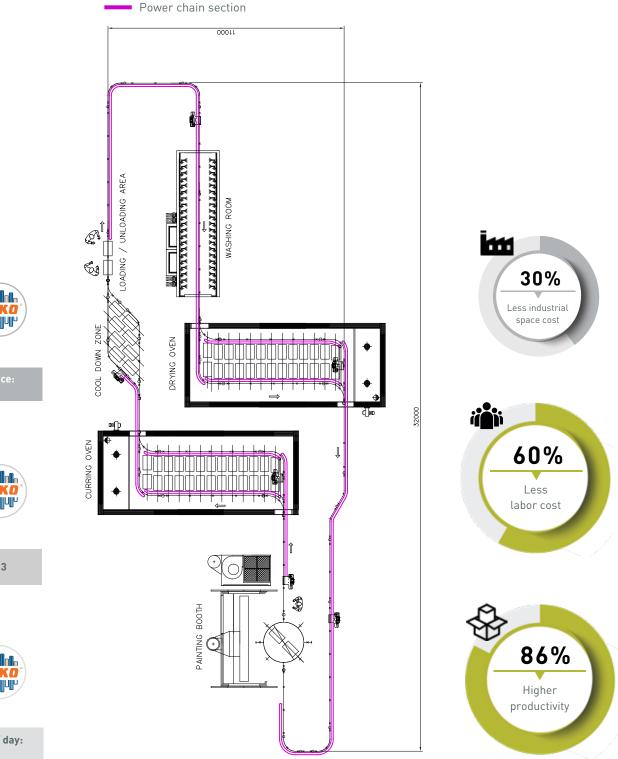
Painting parts / day: 210 pieces

NIKO power chain conveyors



CASTING PARTS

NIKO Conveyor is considerably more efficient providing:





Required space: 3.980ft²



Operators: 3



Painting parts / day: 620 pieces





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