



IKO SHINGLES,
THE SMARTER VIEW ON ROOFS



THE LEADING GLOBAL AUTHORITY IN HIGH QUALITY ROOF



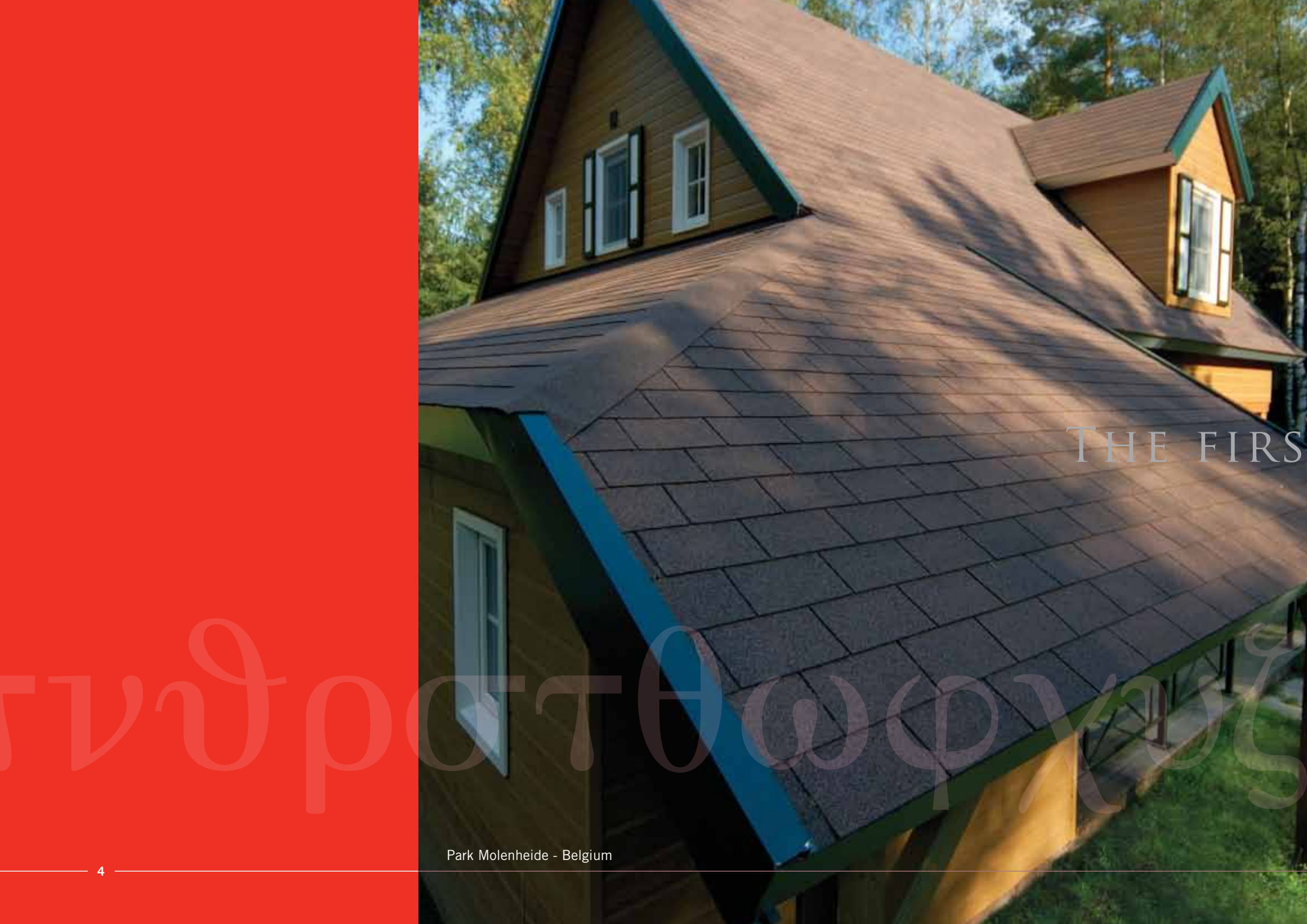
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SHINGLES

IKO, Leaders in roof shingles

IKO is the leading name in high quality roof shingles. Having earned a solid reputation for its expertise in the production and handling of shingles, the company offers a wide range of products.





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Seasoned veteran

With a heritage stretching as far back as ancient times, shingles were first used by Celts and Romans during the Middle Ages. The earliest shingles were typically scale shaped and made from stone, later being replaced with tree bark and wood. During the 18th century, competition came in the form of roof tiles and natural slate due to a high demand for wood to build new ships. As a result, people had to start looking elsewhere for materials to place on their roofs. This certainly didn't spell the end of shingles however. Wooden varieties are still mainly being used in many areas today, but during the 19th century a different type of natural material made its first appearance, resulting in the birth of modern shingles.

Eureka: bitumen!

The material that finally made the definitive breakthrough for shingles had actually already been known for centuries. Bitumen is a natural material harvested from specially selected petroleum. It provides excellent water-resisting qualities, which had already been proven by the Assyrians, Greeks and Romans. Weather and wind do not have any impact on the bitumen at all, which in its set form is very well suited to using as a roofing material because of its flexible nature and great adhesive qualities.



SPECIALLY SELECTED PETROLEUM



IKO has everything under one roof

IKO is the only roof shingle producer in Europe responsible for the entire production and distribution process. We have access to all raw materials and facilities needed to treat bitumen, which our shingles are based upon, with warm air. This improves the resistance of the material against high temperatures.

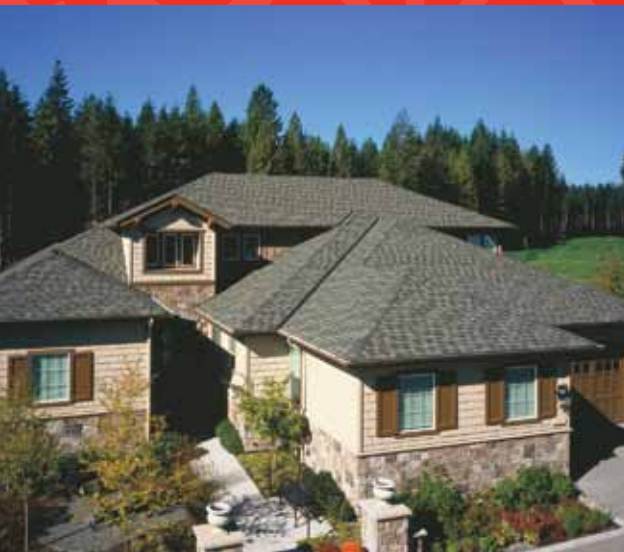
At IKO we engineer and colour granules expertly, ensuring our shingles have an attractive and long lasting appearance. We provide our clients with a guarantee that we produce the best shingles available with an unrivalled aesthetic appearance.

New buildings and renovations

Roof shingles are the ideal roofing material for new buildings and renovation projects. Irrespective of the style you prefer, IKO is guaranteed to have an extensive range of roof shingles and accessories available to meet your needs. Both independent European and internal IKO laboratories have confirmed the quality of our products time and time again. The levels of service we provide are also unrivalled, and we are continuously searching for innovative techniques and products. As a result, we have managed to develop the qualities of our roof shingles through 60 years experience and the diverse range we have available. This will ensure that IKO continues to deliver the worldwide standard to which other roof shingles are compared.



THERE ARE CURRENTLY
MILLIONS OF SHINGLES
ON ROOFS WORLDWIDE



5 reasons why you should choose IKO roof shingles

Invented in 1863, bitumen roof shingles are currently still the most frequently used contemporary roof covering material in the world for houses, after ceramic tiles.

A 'closed' shingle roof provides a number of clever advantages:



1. EXTREME WEATHER RESISTANCE

IKO roof shingles are highly resistant to any type of weather, ranging from polar temperatures through to tropical heat, moisture and wind. The fibreglass base is very stable and watertight, the exterior is extremely durable and the covering granules provide the ultimate form of protection. Therefore IKO can provide real protection on your roof against hailstorms, gale force winds of up to 220 km/hour, snow and ice, desert heat and UV rays.

2. LOWER BUDGET

A light roof structure makes a great difference in the construction of your home. When compared to conventional roofing materials, shingles are much lighter in weight and more flexible, without compromising quality levels at all. IKO roof shingles are very quick and efficient to lay, as their light weight simply adds to the superior quality and they can simply be placed over the existing roof construction with renovation projects.



3. NOTICEABLY STYLISH

IKO roof shingles are available in a great variety of colours and shapes that fit in with every type of building style and environment. Because of the colourfast and UV resistant qualities of the product, it maintains its original aesthetic appearance for a very long period of time and easily fits onto any shape of roof. With such flexibility and choice, there are all kinds of creative possibilities waiting to be discovered.

4. NATURALLY SAFE

The light weight of shingles also provides a positive ecological effect. The transport weight of the material is light resulting in a much smaller impact on the environment. Also, the various ventilation systems in the IKO programme create optimum air circulation and insulation, both of which are good for your health and result in lower energy bills.

5. PERFECT INSULATION

IKO roof shingles absorb a great amount of noise caused by rain and hail on a roof, making our product the superior option for noise insulation when compared to other materials. It is also much harder for vermin to penetrate shingle roofs, providing additional protection for your attic.



QUALITY



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GUARANTEE

Quality guaranteed



Our roof shingles meet all European standards for building material when correctly installed. The CE mark is a guarantee of the durability of IKO products that provide complete fire safety, clearly proving the endless advantages we offer. Not satisfied with only complying to industry standards, we have commissioned the German independent institute 'Technische Universität München' to further test the quality of our product. This process of continuous quality control ensures that we supply you with a flawless quality guarantee.

Additional guarantee



IKO provides much better levels of safety when compared to other shingle producers. Our **IKO Platinum guarantee** ensures that we will foot the bill for any renovation and repair costs involved with fixing a roof leakage resulting from IKO shingle manufacturing defects. This includes the processing of defective shingles, the purchase of new shingles and installation costs, translating into complete peace of mind for you, under any conditions. The IKO Platinum Guarantee is only valid for IKO roof shingles manufactured in Europe.

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