

GERDAU S.A.
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM F-6

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

For Depositary Shares Evidenced by American Depositary Receipts

Gerdau S.A.

(Exact name of issuer of deposited securities as specified in its charter)

n/a

(Translation of issuer's name into English)

Brazil

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization of issuer)

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.

(Exact name of depositary as specified in its charter)

383 Madison Avenue, Floor 11, New York, New York 10179

Telephone (800) 990-1135

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of depositary's principal executive offices)

Chia Yuan Wang

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It is proposed that this filing become effective under Rule 466

immediately upon filing
on (Date) at (Time)

If a separate registration statement has been filed to register the deposited shares, check the following box.

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of Securities to be registered	Amount to be registered	Proposed maximum aggregate price per unit⁽¹⁾	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price⁽²⁾	Amount of registration fee
American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts, each American Depositary Share representing one Preferred Share of Gerdau S.A.	100,000,000 American Depositary Shares	\$0.05	\$5,000,000	\$606
(1)	Each unit represents one American Depositary Share.			

Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. Pursuant to Rule 457(k), such estimate is (2) computed on the basis of the maximum aggregate fees or charges to be imposed in connection with the issuance of American Depositary Receipts evidencing American Depositary Shares.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

The Prospectus consists of the proposed form of American Depositary Receipt (“ADR” or “American Depositary Receipt”) included as Exhibit A to the Further Amended and Restated Deposit Agreement filed as Exhibit (a) to this Registration Statement, which is incorporated herein by reference.

CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

Item 1. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED

<u>Item Number and Caption</u>	<u>Location in Form of American Depositary Receipt Filed Herewith as Prospectus</u>
(1) Name and address of Depository	Introductory paragraph and bottom of face of American Depositary Receipt
(2) Title of American Depositary Receipts and identity of deposited securities	Face of American Depositary Receipt, top center
Terms of Deposit:	
(i) Amount of deposited securities represented by one unit of American Depositary Shares	Face of American Depositary Receipt, upper right corner
(ii) Procedure for voting, if any, the deposited securities	Paragraph (12)
(iii) Collection and distribution of dividends	Paragraphs (4), (5), (7) and (10)
(iv) Transmission of notices, reports and proxy soliciting material	Paragraphs (3), (8) and (12)
(v) Sale or exercise of rights	Paragraphs (4), (5) and (10)
(vi) Deposit or sale of securities resulting from dividends, splits or plans of reorganization	Paragraphs (4), (5), (10) and (13)
(vii)	Paragraphs (16) and (17)

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Amendment, extension or termination of the Deposit Agreement

- (viii) Rights of holders of ADRs to inspect the transfer books of the Depository and the list of Holders of ADRs Paragraph (3)
- (ix) Restrictions upon the right to deposit or withdraw the underlying securities Paragraphs (1), (2), (4), and (5)
- (x) Limitation upon the liability of the Depository Paragraph (14)
- (3) Fees and Charges Paragraph (7)

Item 2. AVAILABLE INFORMATION

<u>Item Number and Caption</u>	<u>Location in Form of American Depositary Receipt Filed Herewith as Prospectus</u>
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(b)	<p>Statement that Gerdau, S.A. is subject to the periodic reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and, accordingly files certain reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and that such reports can be inspected by holders of American Depositary Receipts and copied through the EDGAR system or at public reference facilities maintained by the Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Paragraph (8)</p>
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PART II

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 3. EXHIBITS

- Form of Deposit Agreement.** Form of Further Amended and Restated Deposit Agreement dated as of _____, 2019 among Gerdau S.A, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as depositary (the "Depositary"), and all holders from time to time of ADRs issued thereunder (the "Deposit Agreement"), including the Form of American Depositary Receipt, is filed herewith as Exhibit (a).
- (a) **Form of Deposit Agreement.** Form of Further Amended and Restated Deposit Agreement dated as of _____, 2019 among Gerdau S.A, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as depositary (the "Depositary"), and all holders from time to time of ADRs issued thereunder (the "Deposit Agreement"), including the Form of American Depositary Receipt, is filed herewith as Exhibit (a).
- (b) **Any other agreement to which the Depositary is a party relating to the issuance of the American Depositary Shares registered hereunder or the custody of the deposited securities represented thereby.** Not Applicable.
- (c) **Every material contract relating to the deposited securities between the Depositary and the issuer of the deposited securities in effect at any time within the last three years.** Not Applicable.
- (d) **Opinion of Ziegler, Ziegler & Associates LLP, counsel to the Depositary, as to the legality of the securities being registered.** Filed herewith as Exhibit (d).
- (e) **Certification under Rule 466.** Filed herewith as Exhibit (e).

Item 4. UNDERTAKINGS

- The Depositary hereby undertakes to make available at the principal office of the Depositary in the United States, for inspection by holders of the American Depositary Receipts, any reports and communications received from the issuer of the deposited securities which are both (1) received by the Depositary as the holder of the deposited securities, and (2) made generally available to the holders of the underlying securities by the issuer.
- (a) The Depositary hereby undertakes to make available at the principal office of the Depositary in the United States, for inspection by holders of the American Depositary Receipts, any reports and communications received from the issuer of the deposited securities which are both (1) received by the Depositary as the holder of the deposited securities, and (2) made generally available to the holders of the underlying securities by the issuer.

- If the amounts of fees charged are not disclosed in the prospectus, the Depositary undertakes to prepare a separate document stating the amount of any fee charged and describing the service for which it is charged and to deliver promptly a copy of such fee schedule without charge to anyone upon request. The Depositary undertakes to notify each registered holder of an American Depositary Receipt thirty days before any change in the fee schedule.
- (b) If the amounts of fees charged are not disclosed in the prospectus, the Depositary undertakes to prepare a separate document stating the amount of any fee charged and describing the service for which it is charged and to deliver promptly a copy of such fee schedule without charge to anyone upon request. The Depositary undertakes to notify each registered holder of an American Depositary Receipt thirty days before any change in the fee schedule.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. on behalf of the legal entity created by the Deposit Agreement, certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that all the requirements for filing on Form F-6 are met and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in The City of New York, State of New York, on March 22, 2019.

Legal entity created by the form of Deposit Agreement for the issuance of ADRs evidencing American Depositary Shares

By: JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Depositary

By: /s/ Lisa M. Hayes

Name: Lisa M. Hayes

Title: Vice President

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Gerdau S.A. certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that all the requirements for filing on Form F-6 are met and has duly caused this Registration Statement on Form F-6 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in Brazil on March 22, 2019.

GERDAU S.A.

By: /s/ Gustavo Werneck da Cunha
Name: Gustavo Werneck da Cunha
Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Harley Lorentz Scardoelli
Name: Harley Lorentz Scardoelli
Title: Chief Financial Officer

POWERS OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints each of Gustavo Werneck da Cunha and Harley Lorentz Scardoelli to act as his/her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution, for him/her and in his/her name, place and stead, in any and all such capacities, to sign any and all amendments, including post-effective amendments, and supplements to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as s/he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his/her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement on Form F-6 has been signed by the following persons in the following capacities on March 22, 2019.

Signature

Title

/s/ Claudio Johannpeter

Chairman of the Board of Directors

Name: Claudio Johannpeter

/s/ Gustavo Werneck da Cunha

Chief Executive Officer

Name: Gustavo Werneck da Cunha

/s/ Harley Lorentz Scardoelli

Chief Financial Officer

Name: Harley Lorentz Scardoelli

/s/ André Bier Gerdau Johannpeter

Director

Name: André Bier Gerdau Johannpeter

/s/ Guilherme Chagas Gerdau Johannpeter

Director

Name: Guilherme Chagas Gerdau Johannpeter

Director

Name: Affonso Celso Pastore

Signature

Title

Name: Fernando Fontes Iunes

Director

/s/ Richard Chagas Gerdau Johannpeter
Name: Richard Chagas Gerdau Johannpeter

Director

/s/ Chia Yuan Wang
Name: Chia Yuan Wang

Authorized Representative in the
United States

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

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- (e) Rule 466 Certification