

WINDSOR appoints new Managing Director

Hanau, October 2016: WINDSOR KUNSTSTOFFTECHNOLOGIE GMBH, based in Hanau, Germany, introduces Peter Kochs (49) as its newly appointed Managing Director. WINDSOR is the Europe-wide representative for hydraulic and servo-hydraulic injection moulding machines for the Taiwanese manufacturer FCS (Fu Chun Shin Group). In addition, WINDSOR is the representative for Germany of JSW Ltd. (The Japan Steel Works, Tokyo), manufacturer of all-electric injection moulding machines. With effect from 1st October 2016 P. Kochs takes over this management position from Reiner Nowacki who died suddenly and unexpectedly in June 2016.

Peter Kochs has been with WINDSOR since 2008, more recently as COO Sales and authorized signatory. From now, he will have a significantly wider key range of responsibilities at his disposal: at the recent K2016, WINDSOR, a state-of-the-art plastics technology company with around 70 years' tradition, announced the introduction of FCS injection moulding machines into the European market. Dean Francis, President and Chairman of WINDSOR Technologies, Mason, OH, USA, confirmed his personnel decision: "Peter's commitment to the WINDSOR customer support philosophy, his profound knowledge of the plastics industry and practical injection moulding technology experience make him the ideal choice for this responsible position in a demanding market environment."

Peter Kochs' extensive technical knowledge in the field of injection moulding machines, combined with his wide experience in the sale of such machines, give him a unique proximity to customers: "At the very top of our agenda is the introduction of the excellent value for money hydraulic and servo-hydraulic FCS injection moulding machines into the EU and EFTA markets. In parallel, we will continue to strongly promote the sale and application of JSW all-electric injection moulding machines within our domestic market. In conjunction with this, we aim to drive the integral support network for turn-key production systems forward." For the first time FCS and WINDSOR will be joint exhibitors at K2016 – in Hall 12, Stand B11 – to demonstrate a servo-hydraulic toggle-lever injection moulding machine of type SD-150SV with a clamping force of 150 tons.

About WINDSOR: 1945, shortly after the company R. H. WINDSOR Ltd. was founded in Chessington (UK) it built one of the very first injection moulding machines with hydraulic operation. In 1959 R. H. WINDSOR GmbH was founded in Frankfurt/Main, Germany. During K1963, the company introduced its "SP12" machine with fully hydraulic drive, a pioneer product of this technology at the time. During 1969 the English machine manufacturing group GKN takes over the WINDSOR Group. In 1972, GKN WINDSOR GmbH constructs a state-of-the-art production facility for the manufacture of injection moulding machines in Bischofsheim, Germany. Klöckner AG, Duisburg, Germany, takes over the WINDSOR Group from GKN in 1982. Until the closing down of the factory in 1993 WINDSOR develops fully hydraulic injection machines with clamping forces up to 75,000 kN – among them the large vertical triple tie-bar machines with clamping forces up to 10,000 kN predominantly used in lost-core technology.

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Since 1994 the company has been concentrating on after sales service and enhancements in the area of multi-component machines. The PXP ancillary unit was introduced in 1999 and is still enjoying buoyant demand today. Particularly the automotive sector uses this specially developed unit in the processing of NFPP fibre plates. Since 2007 the company, located in Hanau since 1994 has been part of the WINDSOR Group, Inc., Mason/OH, USA. WINDSOR has been the official distribution partner of JSW, The Japan Steel Works Ltd. in Tokyo since 2007 and – since 2016 – also a distributor for FCS, Fu Chun Shin Group, Tainan, Taiwan. In addition, WINDSOR distributes a variety of hydraulic units manufactured in-house as well as the flexible PlugXPress® secondary injection units. WINDSOR cooperates with eight European distribution partners – in the Benelux Union (De Ridder TDR), Germany (KT-Sakkas), in the UK (Elicare Ltd.), Italy (Aquila Srl), Austria (SWS GmbH), Portugal (Inautom Lda.), in the Czech Republic (Boco s.r.o.) and in Turkey (TSP Ltd.).

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