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Continuity under a New Flag: LEIS Polytechnik has been acquired by Brenntag GmbH, Mülheim



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A new chapter

In arranging an external solution to the company's succession, Adalbert Leis, the owner of LEIS Polytechnik polymere Werkstoffe GmbH took the decision to acquire a new owner with an appropriate economic and technological profile. This also constitutes a key change process for the company in terms of permitting an effective growth strategy and ensuring that the company continues to meet future market demands and customer needs in the optimum manner.

Following the approval of the relevant anti-trust authorities, this process has now been successfully completed, and since February 2016, LEIS Polytechnik polymere Werkstoffe GmbH has been part of the Brenntag Group, the global market leader in chemical distribution.

Brenntag GmbH combines local and regional presence with the network of a globally active company. With the acquisition, Brenntag is expanding its business with engineering and high-performance polymers extending its polymer know-how through the addition of compounds, and also strengthening its position as a product development partner on the market. Therefore, LEIS Polytechnik ideally compliments Brenntag's portfolio.

Continuity is ensured

As in the past, LEIS Polytechnik still stands for customised product solutions and customer-orientated service. In the framework of the acquisition, Brenntag GmbH has taken over all the different company departments, including development, production, sales and service. This step constitutes a clear statement with regard to Ramstein as a production location. In addition, the product portfolio and the employees have similarly been taken over. The products will thus continue to be developed, produced and marketed in their customary, constant high quality by experienced and competent employees. One hundred percent continuity

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is therefore guaranteed. The continual improvement of products, processes and productivity also remains a central focus of the company philosophy. The quality and environment management system certified to DIN ISO 9001:2008 and DIN ISO 14001:2004 provides the basis for this.

With Brenntag, the successful path followed by LEIS Polytechnik in the past is to be consistently pursued in future too, and further developed in a targeted fashion.

About LEIS Polytechnik polymere Werkstoffe GmbH

LEIS Polytechnik polymere Werkstoffe GmbH is specialised in the development, production and marketing of high-performance engineering thermoplastic compounds. Our products have proved successful and have become established in a wide range of applications in highly differing industries. We have built up special know-how in the field of metal substitution. Our ALAMID®, AQUAFORCE®, NYLAFORCE® and NYLAFORCE® dynamic product groups are ideally suited to functional engineering parts that are subject to stringent requirements on strength and stiffness and constitute attractive alternatives to metal materials in many areas.

THERMOFORCE® - Thermally conductive compounds are the latest product group from LEIS Polytechnik in the field of metal substitution. With their outstanding material properties, these high-performance compounds are certainly a match for metal materials when it comes to thermal conductivity and they additionally provide all the benefits of thermally conductive polymers.

Another core competency of our company are tribologically-optimised thermoplastics. Exceptional wear resistance and low coefficients of friction make our TRIBOFORCE® compounds the ideal material for toothed wheels and bearings to withstand extreme requirements.

About Brenntag

Brenntag, the global market leader in chemical distribution, covers all major markets with its extensive product and service portfolio. Headquartered in Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany, the company operates a global network with more than 490 locations in 72 countries. In 2014, the company, which has a global workforce of more than 13,500, generated sales of EUR 10.0 billion (USD 13.3 billion). Brenntag connects chemical manufacturers and chemical users. The company supports its customers and suppliers with tailor-made distribution solutions for industrial and specialty chemicals. With over 10,000 products and a world-class supplier base, Brenntag offers one-stop-shop solutions to around 170,000 customers. This includes specific application technology, an extensive technical support and value-added services such as just-in-time delivery, product mixing, formulation, repackaging, inventory management and drum return handling. Long-standing experience and local excellence in the individual countries characterize the global market leader for chemical distribution.