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Inauguration of the new company building

Prinzing GmbH relocated on 17th March 2008 to a new company building at a new address, but still in Blaubeuren in Germany. The family-run company with 146 years of tradition now possesses floor space of around 5000 m² since the relocation. The official opening ceremony for the new building took place on 30th May this year.

The history of the company began in the year 1862, when the master blacksmith Georg Prinzing founded the company of the same name, initially manufacturing ironmongery of all kinds. The Prinzing company has been producing moulds for precast concrete parts, in particular for concrete pipes, since 1907. After the establishment in the concrete and precast industry of vibration compaction, in whose development the Prinzing company was also significantly involved, Prinzing introduced central vibration in the 1950s, which improved the compaction behaviour of concrete pipes to an even greater extent. Since 1970 Prinzing has also used hydraulic exterior mould and core clamping, in particular for manhole machines, as a result of which it was possible to increase both the output and the quality of the manhole machines. The first manhole machine with the type designation Tornado was introduced in 1976; it has been continually further developed right up to the present day and is one of Prinzing's most successful products worldwide.

Two further machines were introduced in 1983 that are still part of Prinzing's standard repertoire today: the Mistral pipe and manhole machine and the Herkules plant for the production of large size pipes. The



The new company building offers a floor space of 5000 m²

Blizzard plant for the production of concrete goods followed straight after that in 1984 and, since the introduction of the Atlas construction kit system in 1996, Prinzing has been in a position to be able to adapt the plants to meet the customer's exact requirements.

The Pegasus pipe plant has enhanced the range of products since 1998 and machines for the production of manhole cover slabs have also been offered under the name Phoenix since 1999. The staircase formwork machine Sirius was finally presented in 2002. Since the introduction of self-

compacting concrete, Prinzing has also been offering the Zelus production system for window sills, wall copings, slabs etc.

The history of the company is closely tied to that of the Prinzing family. For this reason a family tree in the lobby of the new company complex reminds one of the tradition of the company, which today, with 70 employees, is one of the leading suppliers to the concrete and precast industry worldwide.

The present-day head and owner of the company, Georg Prinzing, did not let the organisation of the construction of the new company building out of his hands for a single moment. Together with Executive Manager Richard Kraiß, he proudly greeted over 200 guests at the inauguration ceremony at the end of May 2008, which ended with an impressive firework display following a lively day.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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A family tree in the lobby reminds one of the 146-year family tradition of the Prinzing company