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Open House for the 80th anniversary

Customers from around the world came to Bonn / Kautex Maschinenbau looks forward with confidence and back with pride / Exhibition about eight decades of company history

Bonn – Around 150 customers from 30 countries once again travelled from around the world to attend this year's Open House at the Kautex Maschinenbau headquarters in Bonn. Over the course of two days, the manufacturer of extrusion blow molding machines presented many new developments, techniques and trends from the business fields of packaging, automotive and special applications.

Things kicked off on the first day with topics for the packaging industry. In expert talks given by internal and external speakers, topics presented included developments on a new electric canister machine and the possibilities offered by the microcellular foaming technique. The following day covered special applications and topics from the automotive sector. Kautex experts provided information about the manufacture of composite pressure vessels and the development of a new suction blow molding machine for manufacturing 3D-shaped engine parts.

This year, Kautex Maschinenbau not only looked to the future but also to the past. To mark the 80th anniversary of the Kautex brand, a company chronicle was created and artefacts and milestones from company history were brought together to form an exhibition. This included the world's first commercially used blow molding machine from 1949, which is still fully functional today. To prove this, this vintage technology was used to produce a retro-style bottle from the 1950s for the international visitors.

Machines in operation

In addition to the talks, visitors who had travelled from all over Europe, Africa, Asia and the US were able to experience a total of 23 machines in production use. The first virtual machine, developed by Kautex for training purposes, was presented to the visitors.

About Kautex Maschinenbau

This year, Kautex is celebrating its eightieth anniversary. Eight decades shaped by innovative strength and services for its customers make Kautex Maschinenbau a globally leading provider within extrusion blow



molding technology today. At the same time, the Chinese office in Shunde is celebrating its 20th anniversary, originally founded as the first German joint venture in the South Chinese province of Guangdong. The company's international customers include automobile firms and suppliers, as well as companies from the packaging industry. They all rely on the expertise of a brand that represents quality and reliability. With 400 employees in Germany and a further 140 employees worldwide, the company generates an annual turnover of over 100 million euros. Besides its headquarters in Bonn and regional offices in the USA, Russia, China, Italy and India, Kautex Maschinenbau maintains a dense global network of service and distribution offices.

More information about the company and products can be found at:

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