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SUSTAINABLE INTO THE FUTURE.

«Sustainability»: No other word has developed quite as strongly or has been used more frequently in recent years. But what does it actually mean?

In summary, sustainability can be understood as a form of ecological and economical action to ensure current and future generations that they will have the same or better living conditions. In its center are environmental, economic, and social aspects.

The challenge is to reduce the use of resources over the entire value supply chain. In order to reach the future with this goal, the time to lay the foundation is now. With our projects in Ursenbach, we are well on our way to a sustainable future for Daetwyler.

Ursenbach – Power through solar
That includes replacement of the roof of our production facility in Ursenbach. The new gable roof, with approx. 2400 m², has the latest insulation technology and will be installed over the current mono-pitched roof. This prevents us from having to stop production and enables us to continue supplying our customers with on-time deliveries. The new roof will also improve temperature consistency inside the factory. A photovoltaic system with a yearly production capacity of approx. 212,000 kWh is planned for the new gable roof.

Ursenbach – Light through LED
At the same time, the production hall will be outfitted with energy-efficient LED lights, boosting the quality of the lighting. These investments for roof and photovoltaics will be approx. CHF 2 million. We are currently waiting for the permit so that work on the new roof can begin soon.

Ursenbach – Coolant through intelligence
At the beginning of 2019, we started using an environmentally friendly and intelligent cooling lubricant mix and recycling system COOLANT BOX from Motorex.

This created the following advantages/improvements:
• Early recognition of concentrate deficiencies
• Reduction of bacterial growth through ozone unit
• Consistent concentrate levels
• Elimination of odor
• Reduction of filter saturation
• Decrease in coolant usage of up to 25% (source: ETL Fluid Experts)
• Connectivity of up to 6 machines with up to 50 m³ coolant with just one device

These are just some of the examples of how we foster and implement sustainability in Ursenbach.

Hans Jörg Brudermann
Deputy CEO, Industrial Divisions

Ursenbach plant with photovoltaic system

COOLANT BOX from Motorex: environmentally friendly and intelligent cooling lubricant mix and recycling system for safe and well-maintained production processes
GREAT RESULT AND ENTHUSIASM.

In consideration of expanding the business relations between Rotoflex and Artplast, the customer performed an audit at the factory in Grenchen on November 15, 2018.

A large customer delegation, accompanied by Andre Kyshynyakov and Ivan Kondratiev (both with Rotoflex Russia), travelled to Switzerland for this purpose. Participating from the customer side were:
- Ms. Oksana Kiseleva – Head of Technology, Print Division
- Mr. Andrei Kruchkov – Print Technologies
- Mr. Sergey Timofeev – Colorist
- Mr. Sergey Kharkov – Director, Production
- Mr. Alexei Shadrin – Director, Quality

In preparation for the audit, the customer provided a 57-item questionnaire in advance. Each subject area was reviewed by a Rotoflex audit team, so that answers and supporting documentation could be provided during the actual audit for inspection by the auditors. An agenda was also established to ensure that the audit day was structured and streamlined.

At the beginning of the audit, the customer decided to make changes to the agenda and so all participants had to be extremely flexible in reacting to the new customer demands. The customer had changed direction, and instead of working on the questionnaire, they requested to audit one actual production lot in detail. Rotoflex ensures complete traceability of a produced lot—including all respective lot numbers of each utilized raw material—via the use of a barcoding system.

The customer chose product process magenta—lot number 18006814—which is comprised of 15 different raw materials. The complete traceability was proven to the customer through the ERP system, as well as through any relevant production and quality-control documents. The customer also audited how each inspection parameter and method was recorded in our quality management system, which included the frequency of calibration of the utilized measuring devices.

A thorough audit report was compiled by Artplast, which was sent to us in January 2019. The results were 97.14 points reached out of a possible 100!

We are convinced that the audit has laid a good foundation for our continued cooperation with Artplast. The customer also took the opportunity to visit Daetwyler Swisstec in Bleienbach the next day. We want to thank all the Rotoflex employees for their support and help in making this such a successful audit.

A subsequent meeting gave the opportunity to discuss the ongoing projects and to determine the needed sales and marketing activities to ensure success in Turkey.

Also discussed was the local technical support, which will be provided by Marco Mummenthaler. Marco joined the Rotoflex team in the fall of 2018. As a trained flexo and gravure printer, he brings with him all necessary technical skills to successfully support print trials with customers. His involvement with BaranAmbalaj in Izmir led to the first 2K Matt-lack order, which was customized for this customer.

With these existing capacities, we are on track to successfully expand our business in Turkey, despite economic and political insecurities at the moment. Daetwyler has a long term vision and believe Turkey has a bright future!
In 1974, Daetwyler developed a high-precision cylinder-milling machine, the Polishmaster, for processing of gravure cylinders. And with over 900 built machines, Daetwyler became well know in the gravure industry.

The heart of the machine consists of a high-precision diamond tool, used for milling the gravure cylinders. It is in the diamond shop (also known as «Diamanti») where we develop and produce these tools. Working on the diamond tools takes years of experience and a lot of know-how.

The diamond tools are created with grinding and lapping machines that were developed in-house. Each supplied Polishmaster comes with 12 precision-milling cartridges and 10 pre-milling tools. The customer can cover an area of approx. 200 – 300 m² with one tool.

Shipping of resharpening tools occurs via a worldwide distributor network. When tools arrive at the diamond shop, they are immediately checked for any damage. If the diamond tool cannot be resharpened, we replace it. Various work steps are required to offer the customer a high-precision tool. Tools are adjusted to 0.2 micron. If the customer demands an analysis, we can provide one based on an identical machine. Prior to shipping, each tool is checked via a microscope for damage or flaws.

These high-precision tools are shipped in a custom-made box. The Diamond shop handles the order process from start to finish. The entire team has been working passionately in the world of diamonds for many years. We value flexibility, quality, and on-time delivery.

Fritz Weyermann
Manager, PCD Diamond Shop
CAR-PARK SUMMER FEST 2019

TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION IN THE CAR PARK.

For many years, the Car-Park Summer Fest has been a regular event for the employees of Daetwyler Holding, its retirees, and its tenants. The festival is traditionally held on the last Friday before summer break.

Ralph Daetwyler welcomed about 220 guests, who were delighted to enjoy delicious food alongside jovial companionship.

The idea for the Car-Park Summer Fest stems originally from company founder Max Daetwyler. At that time, he created a team which was tasked to organize the first Car-Park Summer Fest in Bleienbach. Max wanted to give his employees a special reason for the event, and he would often have ideas and make suggestions that weren’t easily realized by the organizing team. Daniela Eugster, who was part of the organizing team for many years, was kind enough to share some insights with me. Her mischievous smile told me that there are many stories that have yet to be uncovered. Even «Leni» Daetwyler, the wife of Max, always looked forward to this event, and she always attended, even in her later years.

The festival still takes place in about the same, tried and tested manner. This also helps the organizing team know what to do in order to make this celebration the highlight of the summer – as usual.

This year, it was my turn to organize the largest part of the summer fest. Which turned out to be not an easy task. Even though there was a lot of information available, there were many other factors to consider. First, I created the invitations, which were then sent out to the employees and guests. Next came everything else: starting with food, drink, to refrigerators, tables, and benches. The car park was cleaned on Thursday, a day prior to the event, and the fridges were put into place for food and drink.

Finally, the big day arrived: July 5, 2019. In the very early morning hours, the facilities-team put up all the tables and benches. Last preparations were still in full swing in the afternoon. As an example, we realized that we didn’t have any cake slicers for our desserts. And so I went looking for cake slicers. Even that turned into a challenge. I spent my afternoon driving from store to store to see if they had any. I breathed a huge sigh of relief when I was able to find them in Langenthal.

At four in the afternoon, the Car-Park Summer Fest began. After everyone got their drinks, Ralph Daetwyler welcomed all attendees, and after a short speech, he opened the buffet. Since all guests knew how delicious the food would be, it didn’t take long for a line to form. Nonetheless, the line kept a steady pace, and nobody went home hungry. And let’s not forget about the desserts! One of the choices was the black forest cake from Elisabeth Schütz. Her famous black forest cake is pretty much part of the summer fest like snow is to Christmas. Even though I am normally not a huge fan of black forest cakes, I gave this one a try. And I have to say that hers is truly the best black forest cake I have ever tasted.

Late into the evening, the guests began to leave, and the Car-Park Summer Fest 2019 concluded.

A most gracious thank you to the Daetwyler family, which provides the finances every year. Another heartfelt thank you goes out to all volunteers and involved participants of the summer fest. Without YOU, we could not have this wonderful event. Celebrations such as this one are needed to encourage and strengthen our bonds as employees.

Michèle Rüegsegger
Executive Assistant
WELCOME TO THE DAETWYLER GROUP

NEW HIRES.

MAY 2019
• Ulrich Schür
  Service Technician
  Gleason Switzerland AG, Branch-Bleienbach

JUNE 2019
• Dominique Bernard
  Logistics
  Gleason Switzerland AG, Branch-Dietikon
• André Burren
  Production Team Member Custom Machines
  Daetwyler SwissTec AG
• Clinton James Lovell
  Technical Sales Manager
  Daetwyler SwissTec AG
• Zivko Petrovski
  CNC-machinist
  MDC Max Daetwyler AG Ursenbach

AUGUST 2019
• Adilson Ngina
  Apprentice - Mechatronics
  Daetwyler SwissTec AG
• Colin Nyfeler
  Design Engineer
  Daetwyler SwissTec AG

SEPTEMBER 2019
• Albert Torrent Rodriguez
  Senior Sales Manager
  Daetwyler SwissTec AG
• Pascal Dieemand
  CEO
  Rotoflex AG

BEST WISHES ON YOUR NEW PATH TOGETHER

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CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR NEW BABY

BIRTHS.
• Lars Lieb and Susanne Obst
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• Sven Wagner and Nora Kramer
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ENJOY YOUR RETIREMENT

RETIREMENT.
• Markus Murat
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  Gleason Switzerland AG Branch-Dietikon
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

ANNIVERSARIES.
5 YEARS
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  August 1, 2019
  SCM / Rotoflex AG
• Raphael Jäggi
  September 1, 2019
  Logistics / Rotoflex AG

10 YEARS
• Benjamin Schärer
  August 3, 2019
  Galvanic / Daetwyler SwissTec AG
• Sandra Scheidegger
  September 16, 2019
  Sales / Daetwyler SwissTec AG

15 YEARS
• Zivko Petrovski
  CNC-machinist
  MDC Max Daetwyler AG Ursenbach
• Sandra Scheidegger
  September 16, 2019
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20 YEARS
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TRADE FAIRS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

AGENDA.

November 6 to 8, 2019
FMB
Bad Salzuflen, Germany
MDC Max Daetwyler AG Ursenbach

December 6, 2019
Christmas celebration

June 16 until June 26 2020
drupa
Düsseldorf, Germany
Division SwissTec