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profine: official opening of new test and prototype pilot plant

On 20 August 2010 profine Group officially opened its new, centralized test and prototype department at the premises of the Pirmasens production site.

Headed by Armin Bill, the department assumes all tasks around the manufacture of prototypes, window and systems tests as well as the support of design and product development of profine Group.

„With the new pilot plant, we are striving for more proximity to development and product application in order to finally comply better and more quickly with market requirements," explains Albrecht P. Lange, Chief Sales Officer of profine during the opening party.

In total, the market leader has made an investment of approximately 600,000 € for comprehensive refurbishment of the hall, building technology and equipment, such as a new windows test rig for elements up to 4800 x 2600 mm dimensions with integrated climatic chamber. Here, the products of the KBE, Kömmerling and Trocal brands will be submitted to thorough testing in the future.

Among the approximately 40 guests of the opening party were representatives of the companies Sika and Kömmerling Chemie as well as of the engineering companies elumatec, Stürtz, Rotox and Urban which had made their contribution to the premium quality machinery equipment.

„The centralized test and prototype plant is a further investment in the market success of our products. We are glad about the co-operation with competent industry partners who support us in developing always optimum and holistic solutions for windows manufacture", resumes Dr.-Ing. Michael Szerman, head of profine corporate research and development.

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(from left to right): Ribbon Cutting Ceremony: Armin Bill, Albrecht P. Lange and Dr.-Ing. Michael Szerman officially open the new test and prototype pilot plant at the Pirmasens site.

About profine:

profine GmbH - International Profile Group - is the world-wide leading manufacturer of plastic profiles for windows and doors as well as a notable supplier of shutter solutions and PVC sheets. The company was established in 2003, when HT TROPLAST consolidated its profile business activities (KBE, KÖMMERLING, TROCAL) under one roof.

profine has a total of 3,350 employees at 28 locations in 21 countries. Around 2,000 of these employees work in Germany.

The production sites are located in Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Russia, Ukraine, the United States and China. The company headquarters is in Troisdorf (North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany).

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