

Press release

Change on EMCO management board

Appointment of Ewald Gattermayr strengthens machine tool manufacturer's management team

Hallein, 6 May 2008 – A management change at Salzburg based machine tool manufacturer EMCO — a subsidiary of Vienna listed A-TEC Industries AG — took place on 28 April 2008. Gerhard Glanz, CEO at EMCO since 2004, left the company with immediate effect, and Ewald Gattermayr joined the management board.

Gattermayr will take on the role of a joint CEO, in conjunction with existing board members Kurt Blocher and Peter Vidounig. He will chiefly be responsible for sales, development, customer service, marketing and human resources.

Gattermayr was appointed as CEO of Mechanical Engineering Holding GmbH, which is responsible for strategic control of the A-TEC Group's Machine Tools Division (EMCO and Dörries Scharmann), on 1 March 2008.

“By gaining Ewald Gattermayr's services we have brought EMCO a top manager with a proven track record whose extensive experience will help the group to grow still faster in future,” said A-TEC Industries CEO Mirko Kovats, commenting on the changes on the EMCO board. Recent progress by the Machine Tools Division was reflected in a strong performance in 2007. Revenue was up by 24% to EUR 211.8 million — another all-time record. “Thanks to the division's full order books we are expecting a significant improvement in revenue in 2008,” Kovats added.

Ewald Gattermayr, 40, studied Materials Science at the University of Leoben and attended an executive education programme at the Kellogg University in Chicago. Since 1996 he has held a number of management positions with well-known companies, including ThyssenKrupp, Infineon and AT&S. He has gained a reputation as an expert in production, quality and process management, as well as strategic and group synergy management.

Print quality photographs of Mr. Gattermayr are available from Anna Niederhofer on +43 (0)1 71786 direct dial 118 or anna.niederhofer@pleon-publico.at.

About EMCO

Salzburg based EMCO is one of Europe's leading machine tool manufacturers. The company owes its success to its innovative products, high quality standards and outstanding product design skills. The focus of activities is on intelligent CNC technologies and training systems. EMCO is an A-TEC Industries Group company. It currently has about 950 employees at six sites in Austria, the Czech Republic, Germany and Italy.



About A-TEC Industries

Vienna listed A-TEC Industries AG is an international industrial group, headquartered in Vienna, with thriving Drive Technologies, Plant Construction, Machine Tools and Minerals & Metals divisions. The Group currently employs around 13,700 people, and the preliminary results for 2007 show revenue of about EUR 2.4 billion.

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