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Start of a strategic alliance with Topp Textile Group at Ploucquet production site Brasov in Romania

Focus on treatment and finishing at the Zittau production site. Further expansion of technical textiles business area.

Zittau, 16th September 2014 . Gerhard Topp GmbH, based in Durach, close to Kempten, will take over the European waistband production of Ploucquet GmbH at the Brasov production site in Romania. Selling this site is the beginning of a long-term production cooperation between the two long-established companies. From now on, Ploucquet GmbH will focus on the treatment and the finishing of linings for the fashion textiles sector (%Textiles+division), which are produced in the treatment production site of the group in Zittau. At the same time, the Sympatex Holding GmbH affiliate will expand its business area of technical textiles (%Textion+division), also based in Zittau.

Gerhard Topp GmbH, founded in 1945, is specialised on innovative textile solutions and has established its own site in Romania already in 2006. With this acquisition, the new strategic partner of Ploucquet GmbH plans to expand and develop the production site in Brasov. %Gerhard Topp GmbH is an ideal production partner for the Ploucquet site in Romania,+ says Michael Kamm, Managing Director of Ploucquet GmbH, about this decision. %As a modern European company, we can look back on more than 200 years of experience in the textile production and finishing, and we are a competent treatment partner for textile solutions. Professional quality assurance as well as the protection of the environment and the responsible use of natural resources are fundamental parts of our company policy. With the Topp Textile Group, we have found a buyer and competent partner for our waistband production. Being the longest-established European waistband producer, they can add extensive market knowledge while standing for the same basic values as ours,+says Kamm.

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The agreement about the production partnership won't change anything for the customers of Ploucquet GmbH. All the agreements and conditions will remain valid. The Ploucquet label will also be continued. In addition, all 42 staff members at the Brasov site will be taken over. We want to be able to offer our customers from the fashion textile sector a continuous all-round service. The production partnership with the Topp Textile Group can ensure that on the European market, says Michael Kamm. The waistband production at the Chinese Ploucquet production site in Ningbo is not affected by this, because many European Ploucquet customers cooperate with partners in the clothing industry in Asia.

About Ploucquet:

State-of-the-art textile finishing Made in Germany

Ploucquet GmbH has been a competent treatment partner for textile solutions since 1806. As one of the leading European suppliers, Ploucquet develops, produces and distributes innovative and ecological textiles worldwide in the areas of apparel and technical applications.

Finishing, coating and lamination technologies are characterised by high technical competence and offer new application areas due to various possibilities of technical processes. The focus of the textile finishing of fabrics, knitted fabrics and nonwoven fabrics lies on the pretreatment, colouration, dressing, print, treatment, coating as well as on the lamination processing. www.ploucquet.com

About Topp:

Specialist for fashion and technical bands

Since 1945, the Topp Textile Group has developed and produced fashion and technical special bands for the apparel, home textile and technical industry. In addition to their own weaving mill, the group mainly offers various forms of laminating, printing and clothing processing. 130 staff members work at the production sites in Germany, Italy and Romania. www.topp-textil.de

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