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Kiefel Employee Sven Engelmann Awarded the Prestigious SPE President's Cup

- Award for over 20 years of commitment, including leadership roles and promoting transatlantic partnership in the thermoforming industry.
- Award ceremony at SPE ANTEC® 2025 in Philadelphia

Philadelphia (USA), Freilassing, March 2025. Sven Engelmann, Vice President - Technology at Kiefel since February, has been awarded the President's Cup of the Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE). The award ceremony took place at the renowned SPE ANTEC® 2025 conference, held from March 3 to 6 in Philadelphia, USA, by the 2024 SPE President, Conor Carlin.

The President's Cup is a special award that has been presented almost every year since 1958. It recognizes outstanding and meritorious service to the SPE and is awarded at the discretion of the SPE President. Sven Engelmann received the award for more than 20 years of service as an SPE member, as a volunteer leader, as a board member and now chair of the European Thermoforming Division. Of particular note is his commitment to strengthening international cooperation within SPE, especially between the US and European Thermoforming Divisions. Sven Engelmann has performed a variety of roles including speaker, moderator, organizer, and workshop leader. Furthermore, his continuous promotion of thermoforming solutions for the circular economy are widely acknowledged on both sides of the Atlantic.

ANTEC® (Annual Technical Conference) is one of the most important conferences in the field of plastics and polymer sciences. It showcases the latest developments from industry, science and research and offers a platform for discussion of innovative technologies, new materials and solutions for scientific and technical challenges.

SPE unites over 22,500 members from 84 countries across the world. It aims to support plastics industry professionals and to enhance their skills through networking, events, further training, and knowledge sharing.

We warmly congratulate Sven Engelmann on this well-deserved award and are proud of his commitment and achievements!



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Conor Carlin, 2024 President of SPE, awarded Sven Engelmann (right) the coveted President's Cup for his services to the plastics industry. © SPE

About Kiefel

Kiefel develops and produces high quality machines for processing plastics, recycled and bio-based materials and natural fibers. Kiefel's customers include well-known manufacturers from the medical & pharmaceutical engineering, refrigerator and packaging industries. With its own technology and material centers in Europe and the USA, the company offers turnkey solutions and provides support in partnership from product development through machines and tools to service.

Kiefel has a global presence thanks to our own sales and service teams in the USA, France, the Netherlands, China, India and Thailand, as well as our sales and service partners in more than 60 countries.

Kiefel GmbH owns the Dutch thermoform toolmaker Kiefel Packaging BV, as well as the Austrian company KIEFEL Packaging GmbH, a supplier of tools and automation solutions.

Kiefel and its subsidiaries employ around 800 staff. Kiefel GmbH is a member of the Brückner Group, based in Siegsdorf, which is a family-owned group of medium-sized enterprises active in machinery and plant engineering with around 2,900 employees at 18 locations worldwide.



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