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### **Mould & Matic expanding in Micheldorf**

***Mould & Matic Solutions GmbH, a specialist in tool and plant engineering for the packaging industry, is keeping abreast with the global success of the Kiefel Group and on May 2, 2018, launched the expansion of the site in Micheldorf. Completion is scheduled for May 2019.***

Generously proportioned assembly halls for the construction and commissioning of plastics processing machines are being built on a total area of approx. 3,355 m<sup>2</sup>. Additionally, a new customer center and office space for engineering, international sales and project management will be built and the technology center will be expanded.

A great deal of importance was placed on an optimal balance of sustainability, energy efficiency and maximum flexibility for the technical building equipment. Therefore, for example, compressed air, cooling water and electricity are supplied through floor channels of the facilities.

Mould & Matic has belonged to KIEFEL GmbH, Freilassing, since 2016. The newly created assembly areas and the focus on the cup and bottle market segment technologies therefore once again reflect the consistent growth and competence of the automation technology and tool specialists in cooperation with Kiefel as KIEFEL Packaging.

The core competencies of the company include the development and production of thermoforming and injection moulding tools as well as automation solutions for the production of plastic packaging, which are used not only in the food and cosmetics, but also in the pharmaceutical and medical industries.

"We are a partner for turnkey solutions and guarantee our customers a comprehensive portfolio of products and services, including tooling, machines and automation solutions", emphasizes Olaf Tanner, managing director and CEO at Mould & Matic. "With its clear focus as a competence center for the cup and bottle business within the Kiefel Group, we are convinced that our customers appreciate this along with our proverbial pioneering spirit."

Mould & Matic Solutions GmbH has 155 employees in Micheldorf, including 22 apprentices. The expansion allows the number of employees to be increased to 250 over the next few years. As of December 31, 2018, the training places have already been increased to 36 apprentices, resulting in an impressive training quota", according to Manuel Dickinger, managing director and CFO at Mould & Matic. "The new manufacturing capabilities, means that Mould & Matic will continue to provide secure jobs and, as a global technology company, will ensure continuity in the region into the future."

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### ***(Fact Box Mould & Matic Solutions GmbH)***

*Mould & Matic Solutions GmbH, based in Micheldorf, Austria, is a renowned supplier of tools and of automation solutions to the packaging industry and offers world-class solutions for the entire production process.*

*Many years of experience in complex projects have steadily increased the company's expertise and made it one of the leading systems suppliers of turnkey products in thermoforming, injection moulding & blow moulding technologies.*

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***(Fact Box KIEFEL GmbH)***

*KIEFEL GmbH develops and produces high quality machines for processing plastic films. Our customers include well-known manufacturers from the automotive, medical engineering, refrigerator and packaging industries.*

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

*Kiefel owns the automotive specialist KIEFEL Automotive s.r.o. based in the Czech Republic, the Dutch thermoform toolmaker Bosch Sprang BV and the Austrian company Mould & Matic Solutions GmbH, a supplier of tools and automation solutions.*

*KIEFEL GmbH is a member of the Brückner Group, Siegsdorf, a family-owned medium-sized enterprise group in the mechanical and plant engineering sector, with a more than 2,500 employees in total across 28 locations worldwide. KIEFEL GmbH employs more than 530 people at our headquarters in Freilassing. Including the strategic acquisitions of recent years, more than 1,000 people work for Kiefel and its subsidiaries.*

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