

## **Allweiler AG gets new director in Radolfzell**

**(Radolfzell/Germany) On April 1, Dr. Michael Matros assumed leadership of Allweiler AG's main plant in Radolfzell, putting him in charge of the company's entire screw pump and centrifugal pump business segment.**

The Radolfzell plant focuses on producing screw and centrifugal pumps and has seen a consistently high level of demand for months. For this reason, Dr. Matros considers the tasks of increasing production capacity and shortening delivery times to be his top priority. One of the most significant investments is an additional machining center valued at approximately 225,000 euro for manufacturing high quality pump housings.

As the Allweiler Group's main plant, Radolfzell has been the source of many innovations. Thanks to Dr. Matros' plans to place more emphasis on research and product development, this trend is bound to intensify.

At the same time, keeping the company's policies focused on its customers' needs is of central importance for him. This location has already launched internal programs aimed at optimizing internal procedures in order to keep customer orientation in sharp focus. These measures are based on two major objectives: to accurately fulfill a variety of specific customer requirements and to shorten throughput times, beginning with proposal generation and continuing through order processing and production.

Dr. Matros sees three markets that offer significant growth opportunities for the Radolfzell plant and its product lines:

- biofuels/regenerative energy (pumps for biodiesel plants)
- power generation (pumps for power plants)
- marine applications

Dr. Michael Matros is a certified mechanical engineer. He wrote his thesis on diagnostic systems for pumps and joined Allweiler AG in 1996 as a research and development engineer. In 2002 he took over as manager of the main Radolfzell plant. He has been Managing Director of the Radolfzell business segment since April 1, 2006.

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(Radolfzell) Dr. Michael Matros has been Managing Director of Allweiler's Radolfzell-based screw and centrifugal-pump business segment since April 1, 2006. Dr. Matros: "Allweiler contributes the largest proportion of sales to the entire Colfax Group. With our very high order backlog and a dedicated workforce we fully expect to capitalize even further on this favorable position. Employee qualification is a major element of our corporate philosophy. Moving forward we will depend more on internal promotion and increased training.

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Founded in 1860, Allweiler AG is the oldest German pump manufacturer and the European market and technology leader for centrifugal, propeller, screw, progressing-cavity, gearwheel, rotary lobe, macerator, and peristaltic pumps. Allweiler AG owns a foundry and produces ready-to-use fuel skids and rinsing-water facilities. Allweiler AG has its main German headquarters in Radolfzell on Lake Constance as well as a production site in Bottrop, Germany. Since 1998, Allweiler AG has been part of the American Colfax Corporation, a global leader among pump manufacturers. In 2005 Allweiler AG employed about 900 people and had sales of 154 million euro.

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