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Package for success made up of tradition, technology and team spirit

The experience gathered throughout its 100 year history has made Vollmer Werke Maschinenfabrik GmbH a true success. Sharpening tools has transformed the medium-sized company from Biberach an der Riss, Germany, into a world-leading sharpening machine specialist for tool production and maintenance. The provider of technology and services is building on a global growth strategy, which focuses on sophisticated technology solutions and services encompassing consultation, maintenance, financing and training.

Two million years of human history and technical development have passed between the chopper and the QXD 250, and Vollmer Werke has had a lasting impact on these developments over the last 100 years: The chopper was the first stone tool with a cutting edge, developed by humans in the Early Stone Age. The QXD 250 erosion machine is one of around 60 different grinding, erosion and machine tools for VOLLMER's rotary tools, circular saws and metal-cutting band saws. With ten CNC-controlled axes for complete machining of diamond-tipped tools, VOLLMER is setting the standard in the woodworking and metalworking industries with the QXD 250.

"Even back in the Stone Age, the quality of a cutting tool depended on its sharpness and stability – this is still our company's maxim to this day," says Dr Stefan Brand, CEO of the VOLLMER Group. "With our innovations and products, we strive for precise cuts in wood, metal and lightweight materials for companies in the manufacturing, automotive and wood-processing industries."

Vollmer is the "sharp team from Swabia"

Since 1909, VOLLMER has been developing and producing high-quality machines for machining tools and also offers associated services across the world. The company specialising in sharpening machines for tool production and maintenance is now a global technology and services provider. With its range of grinding and erosion machines for tool manufacturers and sharpening services, the medium-sized company from Biberach, Germany, is a technology leader in almost every market segment. A total of 170 patents ensure the "sharp team from Swabia" has the technical edge over its competitors.

Vollmer is at home in those sectors where success is largely dependent on availability, quality and service life, as well as careful, precise tool handling and care. As a partner for the manufacturing, mechanical engineering and wood-processing industries, Vollmer ensures different cutting materials with different hardnesses, such as CV steel (chrome vanadium), HSS (high-speed steel), carbide, cermet or PCD (polycrystalline diamond), are correctly sharpened when manufacturing and maintaining tools.

Competence centre in Biberach

Overall, the Vollmer Group currently employs approximately 800 people worldwide. The company has a training quota of more than 10%, with a transfer quota of nearly 100%. Around 550 people are employed at the main headquarters in Biberach alone, including more than 50 trainees. The company invests around eight to ten per cent of the turnover in research and development for new technologies and products, and the company's headquarters in Biberach form the development and construction competence centre for the entire Vollmer Group.

Global partner for tool production

By offering services and acting as a local development partner, Vollmer is there for its global customers. The Service technicians support customers with maintaining and repairing machines. Engineers support the company in matters relating to further developing machines in partnership. Apart from mechanical components, our engineers also adapt the software to new tasks in tool manufacturing, and can improve machines that are already being used by the customer by retrofitting them in a purposeful way. With innovative IoT (Internet of Things) solutions, VOLLMER offers its customers a way to enter the world of Industry 4.0 gradually and simply.

Vollmer has additional production plants in Taicang in China and Mörlenbach in Germany. Fourteen international sales and service subsidiaries and more than thirty representatives around the world ensure customers receive personal advice and support locally. Alongside its site in Germany, VOLLMER has its own sites in Austria, Great Britain, France, Italy, Poland, Spain, Sweden, the USA, Brazil, Japan, China, South Korea, India and Russia.

Services under one roof

Opened in 2009, the Technology and Training Centre – TDZ for short – covers an area of 3000 square metres. There, the most important machines are available to Vollmer's customers. However, it is not only used as an exhibition and presentation room for Vollmer's range of machines, but also offers space for different training sessions, customer events and house fairs. Over 180 training sessions and events are held every year.

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About the VOLLMER Group

With its comprehensive range of machinery, the VOLLMER Group – which has sites in Germany, Austria, Great Britain, France, Italy, Poland, Spain, Sweden, the USA, Brazil, Japan, China, South Korea, India and Russia – enjoys global success as a tool machining specialist in terms of both production and service. The technological leader's range of products contains the most advanced grinding, erosion and machine tools for rotary tool and circular saws in the woodworking and metalworking industries as well as for metal-cutting band saws. In offering this, VOLLMER relies heavily on the company's tradition and its strengths: Local contacts for efficient communication channels, quick decisions and rapid action by a family-run company. The VOLLMER Group currently employs approximately 800 workers worldwide, with around 580 of these at the main headquarters in Biberach alone, including more than 75 trainees. The company invests around eight to ten per cent of its turnover in the research and development of new technologies and products. As a provider of technology and services, the VOLLMER Group is a reliable partner to its customers.

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