

Transfer of responsibilities at REDIES Germany

Taking effect in October, Mr. Ulrich Kiwus, managing director of REDIES Deutschland GmbH, has appointed his successor, Mr. Ferdinand Kiessling.

Ulrich Kiwus is an entrepreneur in Europe's wire industry since the 1980s. He founded Ulrich Kiwus Diamanttechnik (UKD)¹ – producer of diamond wire dies, which have been found in production to this day. Shortly thereafter he founded Leyer & Kiwus Ultraschall- und Lasertechnik GmbH², together with Mr. Ralph Leyer, to focus on advancing technology of the very tooling machines needed to produce diamond wire dies.

In the early 2000s he became shareholder of REDIES S.r.l. in Guissano near Milano, Italy. In order to be closer to wire and cable producers in central Europe, he founded a new REDIES site in Aachen, Germany, in 2004, followed by a third site in Vamberk, Czech Republic, in 2007. Mr. Kiwus now maintains a widely spread network of relationships in the wire industry. Customers as well as business partners value personal contact on equal footing with his straight and upright demeanor.

REDIES Deutschland GmbH has become an enterprise that satisfies international customers. Its production is centered on drawing tools with natural diamond, synthetic mono- and polycrystalline diamond (PCD) for round wire, profiles, tubes of all ductile materials. Furthermore, its profile includes technological development and fabrication of special machinery for three REDIES production sites and upon customers' requests. The production of ultrasound generators and oscillating systems is especially noteworthy.

Ulrich Kiwus also developed the PCD brand "MANT®." Quality of raw materials, every step of the production process, and final product quality is constantly monitored at the site in Germany.

Ferdinand Kiessling will be leading the team in Aachen, beginning this October. He joined REDIES in 2008 during his studies at RWTH Aachen University. So, he accompanied a significant portion of the growth and structuring of the site. He became a full-time engineer in maintenance, later head of tech development. Like Mr. Kiwus he comes from an academic background in the field of metallurgy and materials science.

The replacement of natural diamond with synthetic mono- and fine-grain polycrystalline diamond is one of the tasks at hand. By using high-quality synthetic single crystal diamonds (SSCD) REDIES looks to overcome the topic of conflict crystals or dubious sources while maintaining fair prices.



photo: F. Kiessling and U. Kiwus

Footnotes:

1) engl: Ulrich Kiwus diamond technology

2) engl: Leyer and Kiwus ultrasound and laser technology