

Press release Kellenberger New headquarters & production facilities

## New headquarters in Goldach, L. Kellenberger & Co. AG merges sites



Swiss grinding machine manufacturer Kellenberger is to dissolve its three existing sites in eastern Switzerland in St. Gallen, Wittenbach and Romanshorn and combine them at a new production facility. Kellenberger has been part of the American Hardinge Group for more than 25 years, which in addition to Kellenberger includes well-known brands such as Voumard, Hauser, Tschudin and Forkart and combines the technologies of turning, milling, grinding and clamping.

The new headquarters will again be built in eastern Switzerland, in Goldach in the canton of St. Gallen, and is scheduled to be occupied in summer 2023. For the first time, all the grinding machine brands belonging to the Hardinge Group will be brought together there in a single location with sales, research and development, manufacturing, assembly, warehousing and administration in an area of around 25,000 m<sup>2</sup>. The centre will be the 18,000 m<sup>2</sup> production hall, which will also house the spindle construction, the grinding shop and the measuring area, as well as a large showroom and a training workshop.

For the new plant in Goldach, those responsible have developed a very sophisticated new production philosophy. The future production concept is based on the complete detachment

from rigidly predefined areas as they are in use in a flow production. Instead, an innovative laser concept will very flexibly line out exactly the production structure that is needed at the moment. Streamlined production processes and an optimised assembly process bring about high improvements in capacity and efficiency. Vibration-insulated foundations will significantly reduce noise pollution for employees.

The new production facility has been developed with sustainability in mind. A central cooling and compressed air system incorporating groundwater as well as Lake Constance water in accordance with the latest environmental aspects will help to reduce operating costs. Bringing the brands together in one place eliminates time-consuming and costly commuting between the sites.

