

KINKELE

EXPERTISE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

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With its approximately 350 highly-qualified employees and a machine pool at the highest technical level, KINKELE in Ochsenfurt ranks among Germany's largest contract manufacturers for mechanical engineering.

KINKELE is equipped with state-of-the-art manufacturing technologies for welding, machining, coating and assembling, carrying out the most difficult requirements reliably, precisely and in compliance with deadlines.

KINKELE is able to produce and assemble almost anything related to mechanical engineering.

It processes individual parts as well as complete assemblies of the highest precision for both mechanical and plant engineering. They machine steel, stainless and aluminium, as well as complex materials. The most common operations are turning, milling and combination of technologies for highly complex components.

BIMATEC SORALUCE and KINKELE have had a long-term successful relationship since 2001. KINKELE has seven SORALUCE milling boring machines for their machining capacity. The last one has been the SORALUCE FMT-4000 multitasking milling and turning centre.

Michael Graf, Production Manager of the company, answers some questions about this long-term relationship with BIMATEC SORALUCE coinciding with the 25th anniversary of the latter.

How do you value your experience with BIMATEC SORALUCE?

We consider it a positive experience up until now. We already have seven machines and our experience with every project has increased our confidence in our business relationship with BIMATEC SORALUCE and in the capacity of SORALUCE's machines.

What would you highlight about your relationship with BIMATEC SORALUCE?

What we value the most is the personal relationship with the different teams at BIMATEC SORALUCE and SORALUCE. The proximity, the speed and the expert knowledge to provide a satisfactory answer both during the project phase and the life cycle of the machine are key aspects to continue trusting in BIMATEC SORALUCE one project after another.

Do you feel that SORALUCE is improving year after year? Yes, the designs and the technical advances are constantly enhanced. SORALUCE's machines have seen a very positive development with an improvement in design fully focused on improving the machines'



functionalities and on obtaining the largest benefits from them. In addition, SORALUCE's technological developments are focused on optimising the machine's levels of productivity, precision and reliability.

What are your main requirements?

Our main requirements are for productivity, versatility, precision and reliability. As we do general engineering, we value the easy and fast adaptability of the machines to go from one part reference to another.

In general, SORALUCE's machines allow us to achieve high levels of machine adaptation for different parts with high levels of precision and productivity.

Any other benefits obtained through SORALUCE's solutions / machines?

The possibility of 5-axis machining enables the accessibility to machine small areas in parts, enabling the possibility of machining workpieces with high complexity.

What is your general opinion of the service offered?

The advantage of BIMATEC SORALUCE is the personal contact and very good service in the milling machine sector.

As has already been mentioned before, the service is very good and we receive fast support.

The interchangeability of the heads in the event of repairs is a very important advantage of SORALUCE machines. It makes possible to continue working with the machine while the head is going through maintenance.