



Press Release

Opening ceremony in Osnabrück

Technology leader ebm-papst opens think tank

Mulfingen, Landshut, Osnabrück,

ebm-papst Group, world market leader for fans and motors from Mulfingen in Baden-Württemberg (with revenue of €1.7 billion and 13,000 employees), has opened its new research and development center in Osnabrück. In cooperation with its subsidiary ebm-papst Landshut, which specializes in gas heating, the R&D center will develop combustion control systems for condensing boilers.

With Osnabrück's mayor Wolfgang Griesert in attendance, Hans-Joachim Klink, Head of Platform Development at ebm-papst Landshut, gave a preview of the planned research projects. "On the way to the smart home, our digital technology experts will be developing smart new heating technology solutions. They'll be focusing first on electronic combustion control, which regulates the ideal mixture of gas and air for low-emission combustion and optimum energy utilization."

The family-owned business has invested in the latest research and laboratory equipment for the 400-square-meter facility, which will start with a ten-member development team.

"We expect this think tank to deliver systematic improvements in our heating technology expertise in energy efficiency, digitalization and the trend toward smart systems," said Stefan Brandl, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the ebm-papst Group. "Its proximity to our Dutch subsidiary, ebm-papst Heating Systems, and to educational institutions and skilled specialists makes Osnabrück a very attractive location," added Brandl.

<u>Fig. 1:</u> Opening ceremony for the development center in Osnabrück: At left: Mayor Wolfgang Griesert. At right: Stefan Brandl, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the ebm-papst Group. Photo: ebm-papst

<u>Fig. 2:</u> Heads of the development center: Hans-Joachim Klink, Head of Platform Development in Landshut; Stephan Wald, Head of Development for Heating in Osnabrück; and Stefan Brandl. Photo: Christa Henke

<u>Further information:</u> You can read an online article about the ebm-papst development center in Osnabrück at

http://mag.ebmpapst.com/en/industries/heating/digital-think-tank_11772/

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About ebm-papst

The ebm-papst Group is the world's leading manufacturer of fans and motors. Since it was founded, the technology company has continuously set global industry standards. Its developments range from electronically controlled EC fans and aerodynamic improvements for fan blades to the use of resource-conserving materials, including renewable materials. In fiscal year 2015/16, the company achieved sales of almost €1.7 billion. ebm-papst employs over 13,000 people at 25 production sites (in Germany, China, the US and elsewhere) and in 49 sales offices worldwide. Fans and motors from the world market leader are used in many sectors, including ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration, household appliances, heating, automotive and drive engineering.

About ebm-papst Landshut

ebm-papst Landshut is a specialist and market leader for developing and manufacturing fans, fractional hp motors and pumps for energy-efficient heating and household appliance technology. In collaboration with customers, the company realizes optimal solutions that take quality, economic efficiency, safety and environmental protection into consideration. The products from ebm-papst Landshut stand for pioneering, highly reliable solutions – for example, as blowers in condensing boilers, hot-air fans for stoves and condensate pumps for tumble driers.

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