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**ebm-papst builds new plant in China**Groundbreaking ceremony for the 30 million euro investment

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With a ground-breaking ceremony, ebm-papst, world market leader for fans and motors, started the construction of a new plant in Xi'an, the Chinese capital of Shaanxi province. From summer 2019, fan solutions for the Asian market are to be produced on 27,000 square meters.

Stefan Brandl, Chairman of the Managing Board of the ebm-papst Group:

"Demand for our products in the Asian market is growing steadily, so that we need further production capacities in addition to our plant in Shanghai. With this new building, we are implementing a further step in our internationalization strategy "Structure 2020" and the associated further localization in Asia".

The decision for the new location near the city of Xi'an, with its 12 million inhabitants, is reinforced by the high availability of qualified specialists and excellent transport and logistical connections.

"In addition to China, we also have our sights set on the emerging markets which will in future be supplied with products from our new location," says Thomas Nürnberger, President and CEO of the ebm-papst China. "These include above all the Asean states with countries such as Indonesia, the Philippines and Thailand, which are on the threshold from a developing country to an industrialized state," adds Nürnberger.

ebm-papst has been represented in China since 1996 and currently employs around 1,800 staff at the Chinese sites. The headquarters, which also houses the development center for products of the Asian market, is located in the free trade zone Waigaoqiao (Shanghai), the production plant in Nanhui (Shanghai). Two further locations are in Hong Kong and Qingdao.

The investment sum of the new building is estimated at around € 30 million.

**Caption (Images: xx)**

Picture 1/2 (Graphic): ebm-papst is investing 30 million euros in its new location in Xi'an. Fan solutions for the Asian market are to be produced there from summer 2019.

Picture 3: Ground-breaking ceremony in Xi'an (3rd from left Thomas Nuernberger, President & CEO of ebm-papst China; 5th from left Thomas Wagner, Chief Operating Officer of the ebm-papst Group).  
  
 **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: from the digital interconnection of electronically controlled EC fans to aerodynamic improvements for fan blades to the use of eco-friendly materials.

In fiscal year 2017/18, the company achieved sales of over € 2 billion. ebm-papst employs over 15,000 people at 27 production sites (e.g. in Germany, China and the US) and in 48 sales offices worldwide. Fans and motors from the world market leader are used in many industries, including ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration, household appliances, heating, automotive and drive engineering.