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Loroch management to gradually change over the year

Biberach an der Riss, Germany, 18th September 2023 – Mörlenbach-based Loroch GmbH is taking a gradual approach as it transitions to its new management. On 1st January 2023, Hartmut Kälberer joined the management team of the saw blade sharpening machine specialists. For the time being, he will be leading the company, which is part of the Biberach-based VOLLMER Group, alongside current CEO Dr. Roland Loroch. Dr. Roland Loroch, the fourth generation of his family to manage the company, took over in 1990, and will retire on 1st December 2023.

(The press release and accompanying images can be found at the following link:
<https://www.vollmer-group.com/en-uk/company/press/press-releases.html>)

"With the change in management at Loroch, we want to take our time to ensure the transition is transparent for our customers and employees and to ensure accountability," says Dr Roland Loroch, CEO of Loroch GmbH. "Hartmut Kälberer has great depth of experience in the field of mechanical engineering. He is a highly motivated individual and I am convinced that he will lead the company to a successful future."

A graduate engineer, Hartmut Kälberer (born in 1967) has been employed by Loroch GmbH, the saw blade sharpening machine specialists, since 1st January 2023, bringing with him more than 30 years of experience in machine tool manufacturing. This includes work for a number of international mechanical engineering companies, such as Matec in Köngen, F. Zimmermann in Neuhausen auf den Fildern and Alzmetall in Altenmarkt. Ten years ago, he took on the role of Managing Director for the Technology division at F. Zimmermann, before moving to Alzmetall in January 2021 as their Managing Director of Sales and Marketing. In his move to Loroch, Hartmut Kälberer has joined a company with a long history. In 1899, Josef Loroch founded a mechanical workshop in Heidelberg. Over the course of more than 100 years, this workshop has developed into a modern and efficient globally operational industrial company, which is now part of the Biberach-based VOLLMER Group. Hartmut Kälberer is the first CEO in the company's history who is not a member of the Loroch family.

"My aim, on the one hand, is to maintain the Loroach family tradition and the technical edge of our products and, on the other, to build further pillars, in particular to reduce our dependence on fluctuations in individual markets," says Hartmut Kälberer. "I am particularly pleased that Dr. Roland Loroach will remain with the company as a contact and advisor even after his official retirement."

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Press picture



Caption: Passing the baton at Loroach: Dr. Roland Loroach (right) hands over the management of the company, which is part of the VOLLMER Group, to Hartmut Kälberer (left).

About the VOLLMER Group

With its comprehensive range of machinery, the VOLLMER Group – which has sites in Germany, Austria, Great Britain, France, Italy, Poland, Spain, Sweden, the USA, Brazil, Japan, China, South Korea, India, Russia and Thailand/Taiwan – enjoys global success as a tool machining specialist in the areas of both production and service. The technological leader's range of products includes the most advanced grinding, eroding, laser and machining tools for rotary tools and circular saws in the woodworking and metalworking industries, as well as for metal-cutting band saws. VOLLMER relies heavily on the traditions and strengths of the company – close cooperation channels, quick decisions and the fast responses of a family-run business. The VOLLMER Group currently employs approximately 800 workers worldwide, with around 580 of these at the main headquarters in Biberach alone, including more than 75 trainees. The company invests around eight to ten per cent of its turnover in the research and development of new technologies and products. As a provider of technology and services, the VOLLMER Group is a reliable partner to its customers.

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