



A life for plastics recycling

Werner Herbold moves into active retirement

After 40-plus years of dedicated service, Werner Herbold, Managing Director, has entered a planned retirement. Mr. Herbold served as managing director and co-owner of Herbold Meckesheim, a recycling company that specializes in equipment and systems for the plastics industry. Herbold Meckesheim was founded in 1884. Throughout his career, Mr. Herbold has helped advance plastics recycling capabilities by developing equipment for key process steps such as washing, separating, drying, shredding, and pulverizing. In addition, he actively participated in trade associations including VDMA (German Mechanical and Plant Engineering Trade Association), the Plastics and Rubber Machinery Trade Association, and served on the board of the VDMA Trade Association Waste Treatment and Recycling Technology. In 2022, Herbold Meckesheim was acquired by Hillenbrand, a U.S.-based global industrial company. Following the acquisition, Herbold Meckesheim joined Coperion, an Operation Company within the Advanced Process Solutions segment, and together, they offer complete recycling solutions for the plastics industry. Coperion's Plastic Recycling Business is now led by Massimo Serapioni, General Manager. As Mr. Herbold embarks on retirement, his colleagues sincerely thank him for his contributions to the organization and the industry.

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About Herbold Meckesheim

Herbold Meckesheim is a leading recycling specialist and produces machines and plants for processing pure plastic waste from the industry as well as used, mixed and contaminated plastics. The modular system solutions for automated recycling lines are tested in the company's own



technical center. More than 240 employees at the headquarters and the staff of the international agencies accompany custom-made plants and machines from the conception stage through commissioning to the end of their commercial use. Since 2022 Herbold Meckesheim is part of the new Recycling Business Unit of Coperion, which offers complete solutions for plastics recycling processing. Coperion is the global industry and technology leader in compounding and extrusion systems, feeding and weighing systems, bulk material handling and services. Coperion is an Operating Company of Hillenbrand (NYSE: HI), an industrial company operating in over 40 countries serving a wide variety of industries across the world. www.hillenbrand.com



Figure: Werner Herbold

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