

Focus on innovation and growth

Michael Schulze, the new Managing Director at Hastamat

(Lahnau, 11/07/2018) In June 2018 Michael Schulze took over the management of Hastamat, the packaging machine manufacturer based in Lahnau, Germany. The 51-year old managing director is the successor to Gerhard Junker who managed the company in the interim since November 2017.

"We are delighted that we have been able to enlist the expertise of Michael Schulze for our company. Together with his striving team, he will further expand Hastamat's leading position in the market of vertical form fill and seal machines, multihead weighers and packaging lines for stackable chip", says Olaf Piepenbrock, Executive Partner of Hastamat's parent company, the Piepenbrock Group. Michael Schulze started his professional career by training to become a power electronics technician before he successfully completed his studies in electrical engineering at the Würzburg/Schweinfurt University of Applied Sciences in 1994. To his qualifications he later added a business economist course from the Göttingen and Wiesbaden Business Studies Academy.

Experience in international packaging machine construction

Michael Schulze's career is closely connected to machine construction in the food industry where he gained extensive experience as the head of Materials Management and the head of Global Procurement Management at international companies. From 2004 Michael Schulze managed the Distribution and Production Logistics department at a leading systems supplier for the packaging and beverage industry before in 2009 he took up the business management of a manufacturer of production facilities for wafers and snacks. In June Michael Schulze was appointed as the Managing Director at Hastamat in Lahnau, Germany. "Development in our markets is fast and dynamic – mirroring the strengths of our company. Against this backdrop, we are committed to further growth,

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developing intelligent and innovative products while further consolidating our high customer satisfaction", says Michael Schulze, looking forward to the coming challenges.

About Hastamat Verpackungstechnik

Hastamat Verpackungstechnik GmbH is a leading international manufacturer of packaging machines and systems with headquarters in Lahnau near Wetzlar. In its product lines, this subsidiary of the Piepenbrock Corporate Group bundles innovative technical solutions and it satisfies the highest quality requirements. Modern and rational production methods as well as extensive quality management underlie these technically sophisticated and economical high-quality machines. Hastamat offers complete packaging lines from a single source – from planning to installation on-site. The company's product portfolio is widely diversified and includes, in addition to multihead weighers, also systems for aligning, arranging, counting and weighing food and non-food products. Furthermore, Hastamat's spectrum of services includes vertical form fill and seal machines and a broad spectrum of custom-tailored special solutions.

Hastamat does not shirk responsibility - and that includes the environment. Under the 'carbon neutral packaging' maxim, already today Hastamat offers its customers the CO₂-neutral machine. Emissions that are released during the value creation process are offset by climate protection projects - certified by a TÜV-attested emission specialist.

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