

Media Release

Enhancement in the food industry

Leadec acquires UK service specialist "Partners in Hygiene"

Stuttgart, Germany/Darlington, UK, 09/20/2021 – Leadec has taken over Partners in Hygiene (PiH), a service specialist for the food industry, as of September 03, 2021. Thus, Leadec is strengthening its footprint in the food and beverage industry as well as in technical cleaning and hygiene services.

"Hygiene services are well aligned to our strongest UK service line of technical cleaning. PiH's experience within food factories in northern UK ideally complements our strategic diversification into the F&B industry and the sharpening of our portfolio in the manufacturing industry," says Georgi Tschumburidse, Senior Vice President Operations Leadec Eastern Europe/UK.

Partners in Hygiene was founded in 2006 and is specialized in highstandard hygiene services for the food and beverage industry. More than 300 employees provide services in the areas of food factory hygiene, kitchen deep cleaning, periodic environmental cleaning and ventilation cleaning. Customers include many food manufacturers based in the north of England and Scotland. Thus, the company serves one of the most demanding industries.

Diversification of UK portfolio

Leadec has been present in the UK since 1999 and currently employs around 1,500 people here. The operations of PiH as well as its teams at the 14 sites across the UK will be maintained.

"We have found a strong partner in Leadec. PiH is firmly established in the UK food industry; Leadec, in turn, has a global presence and strong technical expertise, including Production Equipment Maintenance and Facility Management. The acquisition will enable us to grow further," says Peter Barker, one of the three managing directors of PiH.



About Leadec

Leadec is the leading global service specialist for factories across their entire life cycle and related infrastructure. The company, which is headquartered in Stuttgart, employs about 18,000 people worldwide. In 2020 Leadec earned sales of around EUR 830 million. For almost 60 years, Leadec has been supporting its customers along the entire production supply chain. The service provider is based at more than 300 sites, often directly at the customers' plants and facilities.

Leadec's global services comprise: Engineer (Production Planning & Optimization, Automation and Production IT), Install (Electrical Installation, Mechanical Installation and Relocation), Maintain (Production Equipment Maintenance and Technical Cleaning), Support (Technical Facility Management, Infrastructural Facility Management and Logistics) as well as other local services. The Leadec.os digital business platform is used to record all processes end-to-end and integrate further digital services.

For more information about Leadec go to: www.leadec-services.com, united-kingdom.leadec-services.com

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Happy about the signing of the contract, from left to right: Simon Ashcroft (Achieve), Claire Gathercole (Finance Director Leadec UK), Peter Barker (Director PiH), David Twemlow (Director PiH), Lee Smith (Managing Director Leadec UK), Malcolm Twemlow (Director PiH) and Mark Roberts (Achieve).