

Media Release

Success story from Hoyerswerda

30 years of AVI – 30 years of automation full of ideas

Hoyerswerda, 01/20/22 – In 1992, AVI GmbH was founded as an engineering office in Hoyerswerda. 30 years later, the three employees have grown to more than 50. Today, the former start-up from Lusatia is part of the Leadec Group and supports customers worldwide with automation solutions and industrial IT.

Rooted in the region, working worldwide

Wherever the projects take the customers, AVI is there too. The company is proud to have completed projects on every continent: semiconductor factories in Asia, a solar cell production facility in the USA, a bauxite handling terminal in West Africa, dozens of projects in Europe and hundreds in Germany. At the same time, AVI is firmly anchored in Central Germany with its two sites in Hoyerswerda and Leuna.

“The end-to-end digitization of production processes and the ever-increasing volumes of data are presenting companies with major challenges. We recognized these at an early stage and can help them with our experience and our self-developed IT solutions to ensure that production runs optimally,” says Frank Seifert, who together with Mirko Wittek and Andreas Rzezacz manages AVI GmbH.

Above all, operators of complex industrial plants or infrastructure supply systems rely on AVI’s expertise in planning individual control and automation solutions. Long-standing customers include, for example, LEAG, ArcelorMittal and Kronospan. In addition, AVI supplies turnkey solutions for machine and plant manufacturers to match the technical challenge.

Setting the course for the future

Since the end of 2020, AVI GmbH has been a company of the Leadec Group, a leading service specialist for the factory with 20,000 employees worldwide. Leadec has strengthened its know-how of solutions for the control and integration of production processes in Industry 4.0 with AVI and can use this at around 350 locations worldwide. The joint expertise provides customers with even better support in automating and digitizing their production processes and making them more efficient.

“Together, we offer our customers a holistic concept for digitization along the entire life cycle of the factory. We know the requirements on the shop floor and combine them with intelligent IoT platforms to make production fit for Industry 4.0. With our own solutions such as the Leadec.os platform and the IoT Home Cloud, in which machine data is recorded and evaluated, we offer our customers significant added value,” explains Managing Director Andreas Rzezacz, who also heads the Production IT Business Unit at Leadec.

AVI GmbH will celebrate its 30th anniversary with customers and friends in the summer of 2022 at the Knappenrode energy museum with cross-industry presentations and a celebration. “This is an iconic place for us, because when we founded AVI, the first orders came from the mining industry. In order to be directly in the vicinity, we moved into offices in the Schwarze Pumpe district. Thirty years later, we are still working for our customers from the early days and supporting many others with our solutions on the way to the factory of the future,” explains Managing Director and co-founder Mirko Wittek.

About AVI

AVI GmbH, based in Hoyerswerda, specializes in the planning of individual control and automation solutions. For 30 years, the company has focused on “automation full of ideas” and supports its customers in digitizing their production processes and making them more economical. Since November 2020, the company has been part of the Leadec Group and strengthens the Global Automation & Engineering Division.

AVI GmbH is an expert in instrumentation and control (I&C), automation and production IT. Since 1992, operators of complex industrial plants or infrastructure supply systems have relied on the expertise of more than 50 employees. In addition, AVI supplies turnkey solutions for machine and plant builders to suit the technical challenge.

For more information about AVI go to: www.avi-gmbh.com/en

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 20,000 people worldwide. In 2021 Leadec earned sales of around EUR 940 million.* For 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

* Preliminary figures 2021.

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