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## **Linde Hydraulics Opens New Plant in Weifang, China**

- **important step in the expansion of business in China**
- **36,000m<sup>2</sup> office and production area for assembly and production of high-pressure pumps, motors and valve technology**
- **production capacity up to 100,000 units per year**

Aschaffenburg/Weifang, China, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – In an official ceremony, Linde Hydraulics GmbH & Co. KG opened its newly-built production plant in Weifang, China.

The global project team took only two years for completion from concept to opening of this 36,000m<sup>2</sup> facility which encompasses an administration building along with 25,000m<sup>2</sup> production halls.

The new facility consolidates processes previously housed in several buildings and allows for the best possible material flow throughout production. Coordination at the beginning of the project allowed for optimal plant layout through "greenfield" development. For example, the measurement/testing laboratory is directly connected to both the receiving and the production departments to achieve and secure the high-quality standards.

"We are happy about the new capacities that have been realized in Weifang. Thanks to the very strong, international collaboration between Germany and China, we have been able to develop a function-specific and overall layout, which will increase our efficiency. ", said Dr. Joerg Ulrich, CEO of the company.

The Weifang plant has the capacity to produce 100,000 units per year. 80% of the production capacity will be dedicated to pumps and motors and 20% for valve technology.

"With the new plant in China, we will further strengthen our position in the Asian market and continue our global growth course," said Dr. Joerg Ulrich, on the plant opening. "The units produced here will enable us to supply the Asian market faster and with a more customer-oriented focus than ever before. We can now offer more localized units with market-oriented prices."

Along with the recently opened second location in North America, the new Weifang plant in China is another step by the German company to grow globally and to pursue the "local for local" market approach to providing faster availability and shorter reaction times around the globe.

The global Headquarters of the company will remain on the location in Aschaffenburg.

## About Linde Hydraulics

Linde Hydraulics is a global manufacturer of hydraulic and electronic drive systems. As a technology leader in the field of high- and medium-pressure hydraulics, Linde Hydraulics sets standards with its systems for significant reductions in fuel consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. The product range includes hydraulic pumps, motors and valves as well as electronic controls and peripherals. Linde Hydraulics is a development partner and supplier of well-known manufacturers of mobile machinery for the agricultural, construction, mining, forestry and municipal industries as well as industrial machine manufacturers.

Founded in 1904, the company is headquartered in Aschaffenburg, Germany. Approximately 1,400 employees work at six plants in Germany, China, and the USA as well as at subsidiaries in Europe, China, South America and the USA. With an extensive network of approximately 80 sales and service partners, Linde Hydraulics is represented in more than 50 countries worldwide.

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