



KUKA celebrates inauguration of its Development and Technology Center

Augsburg, July 14, 2016 – In the company of about 200 guests from the worlds of business and politics, KUKA celebrated the inauguration of its prestigious new building at the Augsburg headquarters: the Development and Technology Center.

The automation specialist put on an event wholly dedicated to its technologies, products and solutions for Industrie 4.0 and, by association, the digitization of production. As proponents of digital development, Günther Oettinger, EU Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society, and Ilse Aigner, Bavaria's Minister for Economic Affairs, shared their viewpoints on Industrie 4.0 in their speeches.

"Robots in architecture" was one of the topics of the keynote speaker, Professor Sigrid Brell-Cokcan from RWTH Aachen.

After a construction period of roughly two years, the first employees were able to move into the building on schedule at the end of 2015. The Development and Technology Center bundles KUKA's research and development activities, which are at the core of the technology company. With floor space of 39,000 square meters, the open-concept building provides around 850 staff members with a suitable setting for the creativity, innovative thinking and interdisciplinary cooperation they need to shape Industrie 4.0. It is to be the birthplace of further innovations and tomorrow's products. Furthermore, the DTC houses an impressive showroom and KUKA College, where between 6,000 and 7,000 customer employees are to undergo training each year.

KUKA has grown worldwide in recent years. The company has a global workforce of 12,000, with around 3,000 at the Augsburg site. "The construction of the Development and Technology Center is a clear investment in the future.

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Our traditional location in Augsburg is the basis for our global success,” emphasizes Dr. Till Reuter, CEO of KUKA AG.

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