

Thomas Jericke: "We would like to continue our, till today, successful path as shareholder and strategically linked development partner of ZK."

Zimmer & Kreim takeover by Indel

Switzerland/Germany - Indel AG has successfully concluded the takeover of Germany's Zimmer & Kreim GmbH & Co. KG (ZK) and will continue the path both have mapped together since the late 1980s. Indel purchased the remaining shares from the former shareholder. Ringmetall AG.

With its Swiss-made electronic components, Indel provides the technological platform for all ZK die-sinking EDM machines and Chameleon automation solutions. As strategic development partners, both work closely togeth-

er on innovative developments for industrial processing technologies. The focus is to continue the further development of the eroding generator and the HMI of the eroding machines. The successful introduction of the new Genius Nova eroding machine series is a confirmation for the developers of both companies. The erosion generator and the newly developed user interface are said to set new standards in the industry. Indel CEO Thomas Jericke reiterated. zk-system.com,

Hall 13, Booth B94

New operations chief building on a 7.5m Pound investment drive

UK - Training providers In-Comm One in West Midlands have a new senior management team.

Chris Reeves is now operations director, overseeing the further expansion of the academies in Aldridge, Bridgnorth and Shrewsbury while joining directors Colin Mills, Geoff Jones and Bekki Phillips in senior management. Phillips will become managing director, replacing Gareth Jones. Jones, who steps down in August, will remain as shareholder and continue to support with the strategy, long-term

business planning and development of the In-Comm Training & Manufacturing Group.

Phillips noted: "Working with our consortium partners, we have secured and delivered more than 7.5m Pound of investment in creating three world-class training centres in the West Midlands." Phillips added that, together, the Group has over 75,000 sq/ft of training space that can cater for up to 2,000 apprentices annually as well as being able to support over 3,000 businesses. "This capacity is the challenge we are tackling, but it also rep-

resents a fantastic opportunity for companies to get involved with us in order to help them address the skills shortages they are facing," the new MD explained.

Reeves, who held roles in logistics, training and recruitment during a 10-year career with the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, joined In-Comm in 2014, starting then as assessor and working all the way to operations manager. As operations director, he will see to the on-boarding process for new and existing clients.



The new team: Bekki Phillips, Chris Reeves, Stuart Dallaway and Jason Daniels (I-r).

Symposium for innovative surfaces



The annual symposium will attract speakers and users from all areas of the value-added chain.

Germany – The Symposium for Innovative Surfaces will take place from 18-19 September 2019 at the KIMW, the plastics institute in Lüdensheid, Germany, with the theme of trends and design, technology and innovations.

Innovative surfaces are said to be the decisive factor for product success. Modern surfaces are functional, have a high-quality appearance, must be robust and offer a pleasant feel. Future-oriented new materials and manufacturing processes have to be transferred from development to serial

application. With this annual conference, the Kunststoff-Institut Lüdenscheid says it is actively supporting the process of change. It will present the latest trends and currently unknown possibilities as well as show current developments with future potential. From trend analysts and designers to material, system and technology suppliers and users, speakers from all areas of the value-added chain will once again be on hand to provide practical and application-oriented presentations.

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