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profine Austria opens Logistics Centre

On 18 November, profine Austria GmbH officially opened its new logistics centre in Graz.

From this city, the new centre supports and partially supplies the Austrian market as well as the countries in Southeast Europe. With about 55 personnel on about 9000 m², the new site will be a powerful service centre for the local customers of the KBE, Kömmerling, and Trocal brands.

“This new logistics service centre is to help us in our objective of working directly on the market up close to our Austrian customers. We are hoping for even faster and flexible supplies, especially for our products specific to this market,” explained Frank Pohl, CEO of profine, at the opening ceremony.

The profine partners in Austria together produce over 25% of the PVC-U windows for this market. In doing so, they concentrate on solutions best serving the conditions in their country, for instance the combined aluminium and PVC-U product “AluFusion” and a specific range of colours and ancillaries. These products form the core of the storage programme in Graz.

The market leader profine had founded its subsidiary profine Austria GmbH over ten years ago, and this commitment has since been an invaluable contributor to the Group's overall success. In 2010, profine Austria recorded a turnover of €8m.

Heinz Doppler, Managing Director of the Austrian subsidiary: “The Austrian market presents great potential. The new service centre and the boost to local support will help us to continue our successful development in recent years and to pave the way into the future as well.”

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The ribbon cutting ceremony on 18 November 2011 at the new logistics centre in Graz. From left to right: Gunther Linhart, City of Graz, Heinz Doppler, Managing Director of profine Austria and Frank Pohl, CEO of profine Group.

About profine:

profine GmbH - International Profile Group - is the world-wide leading manufacturer of plastic profiles for windows and doors as well as a notable supplier of shutter solutions and PVC sheets. The company was established in 2003, when HT TROPLAST consolidated its profile business activities (KBE, KÖMMERLING, TROCAL) under one roof.

profine has a total of 3,200 employees at 28 locations in 21 countries. Around 1,800 of these employees work in Germany.

The production sites are located in Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Russia, Ukraine, the United States and China. The company headquarters is in Troisdorf (North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany).

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