

**PRESS RELEASE**

**profine launches “proEnergyTec”: prefoamed profiles for cost effective manufacture and energy efficiency**

By launching recently its “proEnergyTec”, a technology for prefoaming profiles, the profine Group is setting new trends in cost effective manufacture and the thermal insulation of the future.

“The main advantage of this new technology is the considerable time savings for the manufacturer. The customer receives a completely heat insulated profile that does not need any further insulating inserts. In addition, prefoaming exhibits better thermal insulation than manual inserts,” explained Dr.-Ing. Michael Szerman, Head of profine Research & Development / Product Management.

Unveiled at fensterbau/frontale 2012, “proEnergyTec” is currently available in selected 88 mm system profiles from the KBE, Kömmerling, and Trocal brands.

The profiles are trimmed, welded, and cleaned in the usual manner – a further advantage for cost effective manufacture.

In addition, “proEnergyTec” allows the window manufacturer to fulfil efficiently the passive house standard set out in the ift guideline WA 15/2 with 88 mm installation depths.

Dr. Szerman continued: “proEnergyTec is an ecological technology on all fronts. Foaming makes exclusive use of eco friendly agents, and the foam and PVC can be separated cleanly from each other for recycling purposes.”

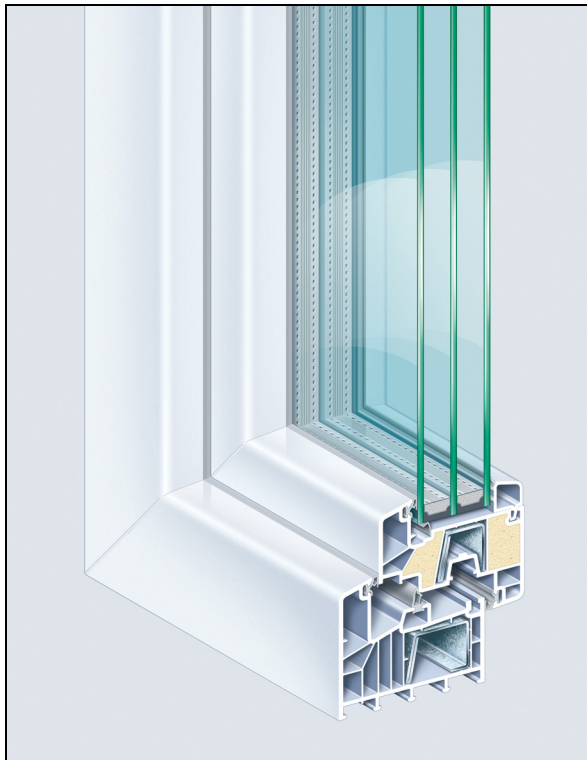
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“proEnergyTec” – This example on the Kömmerling 88plus system fulfils the passive house standard set out in the ift guideline WA 15/2.

#### About profine:

profine GmbH – International Profile Group – is a worldwide leading manufacturer of PVC-U profiles for windows and doors and a renowned provider of shutter systems and PVC sheets. With its KBE, KÖMMERLING, and TROCAL brands, the Group has an excellent international standing at 28 sites in 21 countries. profine Group manufactures at production facilities in Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Russia, Ukraine, the USA and China. With its head office in Troisdorf, North Rhine-Westphalia, and a payroll of 3200, the Group recorded a turnover of about €700m in 2011.

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