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**SCHUNK – global technology pioneer for the manufacturing industry**

SCHUNK is a technology pioneer in toolholding, workholding, gripping, and automation technology, driving productivity gains for its customers and partners in the industry – for 80 years. To achieve this, 3,700 employees worldwide are committed across 10 plants and 34 directly owned subsidiaries, working together with sales partners in 75 countries.

**Hand in hand for tomorrow**

SCHUNK develops pioneering technologies tailored to the requirements of modern manufacturing and automation processes. These emerge from the interaction of diverse expertise and perspectives. “Innovation through Collaboration” stands for the power of lived collaboration that is evident at all levels: through close exchange within teams and with customers, as well as through cooperation in innovation networks, advanced processes and products are created that drive digitalization, automation, and the targeted use of artificial intelligence. The goal is the “Healthy Factory” – an industrial future that is efficient, resource-conserving, and at the same time healthy for people and the environment.

The broad portfolio ranges from standard components and extensive engineering expertise for the development of customer-specific components and systems to complete machines for automation and electronics production. These make it easier for customers to get started with automation and support them in leveraging their potential efficiently. In its global robot application centers, the so-called CoLabs, SCHUNK accompanies its customers’ automation processes from validation to successful implementation. This makes SCHUNK a reliable partner for renowned OEMs and companies along the entire value chain – in numerous industries such as automotive, e-mobility, life science, aerospace, and electronics.

**Tradition meets innovation**

Founded in 1945 by Friedrich Schunk in Lauffen am Neckar, SCHUNK has stood for visionary thinking and reliability from the very beginning. Under the leadership of his son, Heinz-Dieter Schunk, the manufacturing business evolved into a globally recognized technology supplier for robots and production systems. Today, the family-owned company is managed in the third generation by Kristina I. Schunk and Henrik A. Schunk. With pioneering spirit and an open culture of innovation, they are shaping the future of the company and creating new opportunities for people and markets – regionally and worldwide.

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**Facts and figures**

Founded: 1945 by Friedrich Schunk

Board of Directors: Henrik A. Schunk (Chairman of the Board)

Heinz-Dieter Schunk (Honorary Chairman of the Board)

Management Board: Kristina I. Schunk (CEO, Chairwoman of the Management Board)

Johannes Ketterer (COO/CSO)

Dr. Sebastian Hesse (CFO)

Timo Gessmann (CTO)

Group sales (2024): approx. EUR 600 million

Export rate: 70%

Employees: 3,700 worldwide

Industry: Mechanical engineering

Market position: Global technology pioneer in toolholding and workholding, gripping and automation technology

Products: Standard components, customer-specific components and systems,

as well as machines for automation and production technology

Toolholding and workholding:

Tool-clamping technology, workpiece camping technology,

quick-change pallet systems

Gripping technology:

Pneumatic, electric, magnetic and adhesive grippers,

rotary gripping modules

Automation technology:

Swivel units, rotary units, linear modules, axis systems,

change systems, rotary feed-throughs, machining tools,

force-torque and collision sensors

Automation cells:

Standardized, modular automation cells, e.g. for sorting,

assembly and laser marking

Depaneling technology:

Depaneling machines and associated workpiece holder solutions,

palletizers, testing and process technology for electronics production

**Captions:**

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|  | SCHUNK, the family-owned company is run by the third generation: Kristina I. Schunk (CEO, Chairwoman of the Management Board) and Henrik A. Schunk (Chairman of the Board). Heinz-Dieter Schunk (right) serves the company as Honorary Chairman of the Board.  Image source: SCHUNK SE & Co. KG |
| *Familienunternehmen.jpg* | |
|  | Thanks to its unique portfolio and deep process expertise, SCHUNK delivers tailor-made components and systems from a single source.  Image source: SCHUNK SE & Co. KG |
| *Portfolio\_Synergie.jpg* | |
|  | In close cooperation with its customers, SCHUNK develops new processes and products tailored to the needs of different industries.  Image source: SCHUNK SE & Co. KG |
| *E-Mobility\_RCG.jpg* | |
|  | With intelligent products such as the 2D Grasping Kit, SCHUNK enables an easy entry into flexible automation - practical, forward-looking, and specifically tailored to the needs of small and medium-sized companies.  Image source: SCHUNK SE & Co. KG |
| *Intelligente\_Produkte.jpg* | |

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