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New CEO at Gummiwerk KRAIBURG GmbH & Co. KG

Dr Darijo Mijolović is taking over as CEO on March 1st, 2021

Dr Darijo Mijolović is taking over the management of Gummiwerk KRAIBURG GmbH & Co. KG in Waldkraiburg, Germany and its subsidiaries in Bulgaria and Russia on March 1st, 2021. He succeeds Helmut Esefeld, who played a key role in shaping the company and has successfully managed it since 2006. Esefeld is now taking his well-deserved retirement.

Mijolović has extensive knowledge of the chemical and elastomer industry as well as many years of experience in management and leadership roles. He graduated in chemistry in 1998 from the University of Regensburg, where he received his doctorate in 2001.

After graduation, Mijolović joined BASF SE at its head office in Ludwigshafen and continuously expanded his knowledge of polymer chemistry during his more than eleven years working there. Initially, he worked as a laboratory manager in polymer research and then as a project manager for the chemical group's intermediates business development. In 2010, he took over as Head of Development for the Paper Chemicals Europe business unit.

Following his career at BASF SE, Mijolović moved to KRAIBURG TPE GmbH & Co. KG in Waldkraiburg, a member of the KRAIBURG group of companies and manufacturer of thermoplastic elastomers. As Director Corporate R&D he was globally responsible for research and development as well as innovation management. From 2017, he was also given overall responsibility for quality, energy and environmental management. He played a key role in the global restructuring and reorganisation of internal processes and was entrusted with setting up a sustainability management system for the internationally active company. Over the course of the last seven years, the graduate chemist has gained extensive experience in the elastomer industry. With the change within the KRAIBURG group of companies, he will now take over as CEO at Gummiwerk KRAIBURG on March 1st, 2021.

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About Gummiwerk KRAIBURG

Gummiwerk KRAIBURG GmbH & Co. KG is a member of the KRAIBURG group of companies and currently employs around 400 people in Waldkraiburg, around 80 people at the production site in Novi Iskar in Bulgaria and is represented by a sales office in Orenburg, Russia. Gummiwerk KRAIBURG is one of the leading manufacturers of rubber and silicone compounds, develops and produces individual solutions for customer and market demands for over 70 years. Gummiwerk KRAIBURG rubber and silicone compounds are used in the automotive sector, in mechanical engineering, in the oil and gas production, the roller industry and by numerous other manufacturers of molded rubber components.

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