

**Successful in-house exhibition at KIEFEL  
GmbH in Freilassing (Germany)**

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*With this year's theme of "Focusing on cup forming – time for SPEED and performance", Freilassing-based KIEFEL GmbH issued invitations to the company's own in-house trade event. More than 150 visitors from home and abroad and with an interest in the subject came to visit the Freilassing plant over two days, from September 24th to 25th 2008. They were all able to obtain an overview of the latest technical innovations that Kiefel is contributing to the packaging sector.*

The event was centred on the KIEFEL range of packaging machines, which includes the highly-efficient KMD SPEEDFORMER series of automatic pressure forming machines, the high-speed KTR THERMORUNNER series of automatic cup forming machines and the cost-efficient vacuum forming machines in the KMV series. All the machines were set up and ready to run a range of selected applications.



One outstanding star of the show was the new THERMORUNNER KTR SPEED cup forming machine, which offers considerably faster movement sequences, greater stability and thus higher productivity. Other highlights included the public debut of two new sizes of machine: the KTR 4 SPEED and KTR 5 SPEED respectively. The speed of these machines proved to be highly impressive when operated in conjunction with high-performance stacking systems and tools. Kiefel also offers the right solution when it comes to the automation of top-quality plastic cup production.

Visitors likewise showed great interest in the debut of the new size in the SPEEDFORMER series. The KMD 60 nicely rounds off the SPEEDFORMER generation of machines, with its downward moulding surface of 580 x 440 mm. The machine is to be officially launched in October at the FAKUMA show in Friedrichshafen (Germany). The impressive performance data, which are based largely on the machine's high-speed movement sequences, are wholly worthy of the name SPEEDFORMER.

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Various specialist presentations on a series of subjects were offered by Kiefel and its partner organisations Mould&Matic Solutions, Sabic and Bosch Sprang. The event was thus able to cover the entire range of operations involved in cup production, from raw materials to mechanical engineering, and from toolmaking to automation, along with the software required to ensure cost-effective production.

*KIEFEL is a world leader when it comes to the design and manufacture of machines used to process plastic foil materials. The company offers core expertise in the fields of forming and joining technology. In addition to supplying the packaging industry, KIEFEL also serves the automotive, medical technology and refrigeration sectors.*

*KIEFEL GmbH, a member of the Brückner Group of Companies, is based in Freilassing, Germany. The company also runs its own network of sales and service centres in the United States, France, the Netherlands, Russia, the Czech Republic, China and Brazil, and is represented by sales partners in more than 60 countries worldwide.*

*The international Brückner Group is also a world-leading supplier of biaxial stretching units, in addition to its PET- and CPP-extrusion machines.*

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