

MAHLE provides insights

Stuttgart, September 17, 2008 – MAHLE inaugurates today its new corporate exhibition—MAHLE INSIDE—at the Group's headquarters in Stuttgart Bad Cannstatt/Germany.

In recent decades, MAHLE has developed from a piston manufacturer to a globally established automotive supplier. In the past ten years alone, sales increased from EUR 1.9 billion to EUR 5.1 billion, and the number of employees worldwide grew from 21,000 to 48,000. The product portfolio has been greatly expanded and now includes five product lines and six profit centers.

This structure and product variety could not be portrayed adequately in the old MAHLE “Piston Museum”, which was located in a part of a building on the grounds of the MAHLE Headquarters. When the Piston Museum had to make room for the new computing center about two years ago, the decision was made to construct a completely new building for the purpose of a corporate exhibition. With representatives from the Corporate Management Committee, the Supervisory Board, the press, and the MAHLE Foundation, the new corporate exhibition will be officially dedicated on September 17 amid festivities. For the employees of the Stuttgart location, an open house was held on September 13, giving the opportunity to tour the new corporate exhibition MAHLE INSIDE.

On the ground floor of the new MAHLE INSIDE building, visitors are presented with an overview of the Group's locations, the MAHLE Foundation, and the ownership structure. A 15-meter high wall, extending from the ground floor to the roof, is dedicated to the employees. A photo display with about 400 pictures sets an impressive scene of the people of MAHLE.

The staircase invites you to take a trip through time and moves stage by stage through the nearly 90 years of MAHLE history—from a small workshop to a global corporation. The first floor holds functional representations of various engine technologies as well as modules and complete systems from the MAHLE product lines. On the second floor, the individual components of the complete systems are on display. This is where the entire range of products of the MAHLE Group is showcased. Selected historical products can also be seen. On the third and top floor, the allure of motorsport comes alive. After all, motorsport and MAHLE have been closely connected for decades.

MAHLE INSIDE is primarily open to MAHLE employees, customers, and those interested in technology. It is not a public museum with fixed opening times, but can be toured by external groups upon request.

The MAHLE Group is one of the 30 largest automotive suppliers worldwide. As a leading manufacturer of components and systems for the combustion engine and related products, MAHLE ranks among the top 3 systems suppliers for piston systems, cylinder components, valve train systems, air management systems, and liquid management systems. MAHLE employs around 48,000 people at 110 production plants and eight research and development centers. In 2007, MAHLE achieved sales of over EUR 5 billion (USD 7.5 billion).

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