Passion for Progress

Dear readers,

With 2009, a year dominated by the global financial crisis, behind us, and the first half of 2010 almost over, we can now look to the future with greater confidence and optimism. This issue No. 48 of BMA Information presents the BMA Group's wide and varied range of activities, illustrating how we practise and implement our vision **Passion for Progress**, even in a difficult financial climate.

Much space in this year's BMA Information has been dedicated to the many small- and large-scale projects for which our customers have placed their trust in us. These projects illustrate our passionate commitment to responding to your needs and requirements and, together with you, finding and developing tailor-made solutions. Examples are the supply of a new K3300 continuous high-performance centrifugal, the conversion and extension of a refinery, such as in Casablanca, Morocco, or the supply of engineering services and extensive equipment for the first new beet sugar factory built in Russia in over 20 years.

Progress and innovation are also reflected in the new products we are proud to present to you. Our new vertical fluidised-bed cooler, for instance; with its commissioning, the efficiency of this unique concept has been fully confirmed. It combines energy efficiency and a small footprint with very reliable operation and optimum technological performance. Then, the expansion of the successfully introduced DynFAS range – clear evidence of the great expertise of BMA Automation in measurement technology and plant control. Or our updated drum dryer for the gentle drying of potato flakes, which boasts an energy-saving integrated heat recovery system.

And even the BMA Group itself is moving on. We are proud to announce that we were able to expand our workforce in 2009, allowing us to respond to your needs even better than in the past. BMA is also in the process of establishing an office in India, so our customers in this major market can reach us more easily. At our Braunschweig site, we have built new premises, which will provide 3,800 m² of space that is urgently needed for further growth. And last but not least, the "Kinderwerk" inter-company crèche facility on the BMA premises provides more than 70 childcare places, also for the children of BMA employees.

The challenges you face add to our motivation to find and implement innovative solutions together with you.

We hope you will find this issue of BMA Information yet again interesting and inspiring and we will, as always, be happy to answer any questions you may have!

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