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**Four new apprentices join Getzner Werkstoffe**

**New recruits to be trained by the vibration protection expert from September**

**Buers, Austria. In September 2017, four young people will start their apprenticeships at Getzner Werkstoffe. This will the number of apprentices employed at the company to twelve, in roles ranging from laboratory technician, metal technician, industrial management assistant and IT technician. Some of the apprenticeships will be carried out on a rotational basis.**

On 1 September 2017, four new apprentices will start their [training at Getzner](https://lehre.getzner.com/) in Buers. Emma Ratt and Tamara Baumgartner are being trained as laboratory technicians by the vibration protection expert in Buers, while Miriam Sparr will train to become an industrial management assistant and Jakob Wischenbart an IT engineer. In addition to the four new apprentices, Getzner is currently training eight other young people as skilled laboratory technicians, metal technicians, industrial management assistants and IT technicians. "We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new apprentices," says Apprenticeship Officer Reinhard Gantner. "An apprenticeship at Getzner will not just be good fun, but will also set the trainees up for their careers as highly sought-after skilled workers."

**Learning in different departments**

Depending on the apprenticeship, some apprentices will be completing a rotation course to ensure that they gain a comprehensive insight into the various fields of work at Getzner. This means that the apprentices will spend several months at a time working in different departments at the [vibration protection](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iogTUmxLcl4) company, allowing them to form an impression of which areas best fit with their talents and which tasks interest them the most. "As part of our rotations, we gain experience in new departments, so it's a good way to get to know the company as a whole. Each rotation makes an apprentice a little more independent and flexible. After three years, the training comes to an end. By this time, the apprentice has gained a sufficient level of knowledge and an understanding of how the departments work together," explains Anna Riemer, who started as an apprentice industrial management assistant at Getzner in 2015. "Rotating between departments is fun, varied and a great way to learn."

Caption: The four new apprentices on their first day of work at Getzner Werkstoffe (from l. to r.): Jakob Wischenbart, Emma Ratt, Tamara Baumgartner und Miriam Sparr.

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**Getzner Werkstoffe GmbH**

Getzner Werkstoffe is the leading specialist in the field of vibration isolation and protection. The company was founded in 1969 as a subsidiary of Getzner, Mutter & Cie. Its solutions are based on the products Sylomer®, Sylodyn®, Sylodamp® and Isotop®, all of which were developed and manufactured at Getzner's own facility. They are used in the rail, construction and industry sectors to reduce vibrations and noise, improve the service life of bedded components and minimise the need for maintenance and repairs on tracks, vehicles, structures and machines.

Getzner markets its vibration protection solutions around the world. Alongside its locations in Buers and in Germany, Getzner also has offices in China, France, India, Japan, Jordan and the USA. Its tightly-knit distribution network in Europe is complemented by its distribution partners in the USA, South America and the Far East. Partners in a total of 35 countries around the world distribute Getzner Werkstoffe products to every location. By reducing noise and vibrations, Getzner is making a valuable contribution towards enhancing the quality of living and working conditions.

**Facts and figures – Getzner Werkstoffe GmbH**

Founded: 1969 (as a subsidiary of Getzner, Mutter & Cie)

Chief Executive Officer: Juergen Rainalter

Employees: 380 (260 in Buers)

2016 turnover: 80.4 million euros

Business areas: Rail, construction, industry

Headquarters: Buers (AT)  
Locations: Beijing, Kunshan (CN), Munich, Berlin, Stuttgart (DE), Lyon (FR),   
 Pune (IN), Amman (JO), Tokyo (JP), Charlotte (US)

Ratio of exports: 90 percent

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