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Change in management at EADIPS®/FGR®

Editorial

Dear Readers,

In this March 2016 issue of the Newsletter I would like to inform you of the change in management at EADIPS®/FGR® and also of the inclusion of Duktus Rohrsysteme Wetzlar GmbH in the vonRoll hydro group. There are three further reports about the installation of a couple of drinking water pipelines and a turbine pipeline, all using ductile cast iron pipes.

Have an enjoyable and stimulating read.



Raimund Moisa

◆ After reaching retirement age and after 10 years of responsibility as Managing Director of EADIPS®/FGR® Dipl.-Ing. Raimund Moisa will be finishing his duties at the European Association for Ductile Iron Pipe Systems on 31.03.2016. Mr Moisa said goodbye officially at the annual general meeting back in November 2015. The members expressed their gratitude, praise and respect for the work he has done for the association.

As from 01.04.2016, Dipl.-Ing. Christoph Bennerscheidt will be taking over from Mr Moisa as Managing Director of EADIPS®/FGR®.

The Board and Members of EADIPS®/FGR® wish Mr Moisa all the best for the future and Mr Bennerscheidt lots of success and good fortune in undertaking his new responsibilities.

With the change in management, the offices of EADIPS®/FGR® will also be relocating from Griesheim to Herten.

**As from 08.03.2016 the new address is as follows:
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DUKTUS – part of the Swiss vonRoll hydro group

◆ Since 5 February 2016, Duktus Rohrsysteme Wetzlar GmbH has become part of the **vonRoll hydro group**. The **DUKTUS** brand will be maintained. Altogether the new group of companies boasts 700 employees and this year expects an overall turnover of 200 million Euros. The present production locations of the Group in Wetzlar, Choindéz-Jura around 50 km

to the South-West of Basel, Oensingen in the Canton of Solothurn, Prenzlau in North Brandenburg and Saint-Germain-Nuelles near Lyon in France will be developed further according to their specific strengths.

For many years, both vonRoll hydro and Duktus have cultivated a systems approach with quality pipes and qual-

ity components in ductile cast iron for water and waste water infrastructures. All opportunities will be taken to offer clients a consolidated range of solution-oriented products and integrated services.

Replacement of a drinking water supply pipeline as part of traffic-calming measures in Lohn-Ammannsegg

◆ In the community of Lohn-Ammannsegg, located around 4 km South of the capital of the Canton of Solothurn, the Schulhausstraße is being extensively renovated. The renovation measures, planned in two stages during 2016, involve the replacement of all utility pipelines, including a water pipeline

in grey cast iron dating back to 1923. Ductile iron pipes are being used for the new drinking water mains: 1,120 m of DN 200, 100 m of DN 125 and 140 m of DN 100 of vonRoll ECOPUR pipes with integral lining and coating in polyurethane (PUR) to EN 545, classified as a reinforced coating. All pipes are

fitted with HYDROTIGHT restrained push-in joints. In addition, ECOFIT fittings with integral epoxy coating to GSK/RAL – GZ 662 are being installed along with eleven above-ground hydrants of the vonRoll HYTEC type with the new height-adjustable VARIO 2.0 lower part.

Ductile iron pipes for the Gössnitzbach power station turbine pipeline

◆ With the conversion of the Gössnitzbach power station in Styria in Austria, the Köflach public utility company is continuing to focus on the expansion of renewable forms of energy. Part of the project was the installation of an 800 m long DN 500, PN 6 pressure pipeline, which placed some high demands on all those involved. The pipe trenches had to be reamed into the

rock over the entire length. The complete pipeline was laid along the incline without high and low points. Because of their stability, robustness and longevity, ductile iron pipes are the preferred material for turbine pipelines. Ductile iron pipes with VRS®-T push-in joints, cement mortar lining and PUR Longlife coating were used. The water flow rate is 300 l/s; generously

dimensioned with DN 500 so as to keep the pipe head losses low. The outstanding material properties of ductile iron pipes, combined with the restrained, positive-locking VRS®-T push-in joints guarantees a technical working life which can amount to a hundred years and more.

Long-distance drinking water pipeline through the wine paradise of Franconia

◆ As a community special-purpose association, Fernwasserversorgung Franken (FWF) supplies large areas of Middle and Lower Franconia with drinking water. After 62 years, the major supply artery between the pumping station in the Hüttenheim district of Willanzheim and the Frankenberg branching point needed to be replaced. For almost its entire length the pipeline runs through highly sensitive areas and therefore an accompanying landscape conservation plan had to be produced and special species conservation assessments had to be carried out. In addition, digs for prehistoric findings had to be taken into account during the civil engineering work. For

constructing the long-distance drinking water pipeline from Hüttenheim to Frankenberg the Franconia water supply company decided to use ductile iron pipes because of their robustness and long working life. Around 6,800 m of DN 400, C 40/K 9, PN 16, ductile iron pipes with TYTON® push-in joints and cement mortar coating were installed. Also, approximately 100 m of the long-distance drinking water pipeline was assembled with positive-locking BLS® push-in joints. After nine months of construction and successful pressure testing, the long-distance drinking water pipeline was completed.

Dates for your diary

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