

## Press release

### **JAG celebrates its 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary - A success story**

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The mid-sized enterprise JAG Jakob AG Prozesstechnik is celebrating its 85th anniversary this year. The company's origins date back to the electrification of the town of Biel-Bienne. Today, JAG is a leading process technology enterprise, which supplies its equipment and automation solutions to large and well-known pharmaceutical and food producers.

Despite the strong Swiss franc, which has had some negative effects for JAG AG, the business remains in robust health today. "Continuous perfecting of our automation solution and the development of plant components designed to meet the most stringent requirements are important factors to keep our business on track for medium and long-term success", Patrick Fröhli, the JAG Jakob AG Managing Director is convinced. JAG's strength resides in the power of innovation and in the development of individual solutions for the construction of complex process technology plants.

Patrick Fröhli stresses the fact that JAG is an independent enterprise, wholly owned by its management. Therefore, when taking its decisions in regards to investments, it can be guided solely by the present and future needs of its customers. This entrepreneurial freedom is a key factor in making JAG a stable and dependable long-term partner for its customers.

#### **From electrical installations to the very latest process automation solutions**

In 1930, the Moser & Affolter company, as it was then known, was granted a license for electrical installation work and went on to play an important role in the electrification of the town of Biel. In 1943, Walter Jakob joined the company and began to design switchgear and control equipment. In 1965, the company became Jakob AG and the number of employees went up to 65.

Back in 1974, Jakob AG introduced the first automation solution for fresh milk processing in the dairy industry. In 1984, Jakob AG began to develop its own automation solution using an in-house programming language and, in 1991, for the first time, JAG implemented the automation of a process plant in the pharmaceutical industry.

The JAG Jakob AG Prozesstechnik company, as we know it today, was incorporated in 1998 following a management buyout.

The latest milestone in this success story was the inauguration of the company's own branch establishment in Melbourne (Australia) in June 2015.



### **JAG Jakob AG Prozesstechnik**

Today JAG is a leading enterprise in the field, which designs, builds, and services the most sophisticated process plant and automation solutions for the pharmaceutical, biotech and food industries. Its own specialised system solution enables implementation lead-times to be reduced to a minimum, accompanied by an unusually high degree of production process automation.

JAG integrates process engineering solutions, system components and process controls into turnkey and highly automated production plants. Services provided by JAG include analysis, design and construction of turnkey production facilities, their commissioning and qualification, together with maintenance and system support.

In addition, JAG has developed its own components to handle process stages such as conveying, dosing, mixing, separating and cleaning. All these components meet the most stringent criteria.

JAG has its headquarters in Brügg near Biel-Bienne, and a branch establishment in Pruntrut. The JAG group also owns two subsidiary companies in Switzerland and its own branch establishment in Melbourne (Australia). In all, the JAG group employs around 150 persons in Switzerland.

Further information about JAG Jakob AG and its products can be downloaded here ([http://www.jag.ch/jag-wAssets/media/z\\_downloads\\_en/pdf-unternehmen-en/Company-Profile-E-v1.0.0\\_WEB.pdf](http://www.jag.ch/jag-wAssets/media/z_downloads_en/pdf-unternehmen-en/Company-Profile-E-v1.0.0_WEB.pdf)), or consult our website [www.jag.ch](http://www.jag.ch).

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