

## PRESS RELEASE

## Würth Industrie Service wins the international German Packaging Award 2016 in the "Logistics and material flow" category

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The winners of the showcase event, the German Packaging Awards 2016, have Fax +49 (0)7931 91-51153 been chosen. An independent expert jury selected 34 of the best packaging solutions out of more than 200 entries from Germany, France, Italy, Mexico, the industrie.com Netherlands, Austria, Poland and Switzerland. Würth Industrie Service GmbH & Co. KG was awarded the German Packaging Award 2016 in the "Logistics and material flow" category for its solution in the field of Kanban bins.

From bicycle repair kits, new packaging concepts for food production right from the field, functional pharmaceutical packaging for increased treatment compliance, clever sealing systems, smart packaging, new production processes, innovative materials, innovations in the field of packaging machines and new solutions for increased volume utilisation in transport and logistics: the winners of the German Packaging Award 2016 illustrate how creative, persevering and powerful the industry is in meeting the challenges of the present and of the future.

Würth Industrie Service cleaned up in the area of logistics and material flow with their developments in Kanban bin technology, the W-KLT® small load carrier solution. The special feature of these bins is the fact that they are oriented towards the logistical requirements of the future.

W-KLT®2.0, the patented Würth small load carriers. These are the cornerstone of the holistic C-Parts supply concept from Würth Industrie Service. Compared to standard bins, such as R-KLTs and picking containers, using the W-KLT®2.0 in the production process ensures increased flexibility and maximum supply security. Products can be accessed easily and guickly thanks to the movable and lockable front flap. The bins are suitable for use in logistic systems thanks to their standardised construction and are fitted with an RFID tag as standard for fully automatic initiation of the replenishment process. Thanks to the pop-out compartment on the back, the bins are also compatible with the intelligent camera system, the iBin<sup>®</sup> module.

The W-KLT®2.0 bins also fulfil sustainability requirements and integrate an ecological aspect into the supply of C-Parts. The W-KLT®2.0 is the first Kanban bin

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of this kind on the market which consists of around 30% biogranulate. The components of the granulate are extracted from sunflower husks.

Another important factor in the production process is the supply right up to the workstation. The W-KLT®2.0 XS/S, the small-sized bins from Würth Industrie Service, provide the link between the Kanban storage location and the actual location where supplies are needed. These bins are designed to supply individual workstations, and are therefore suited for use directly at the relevant location where supplies are needed. The small-sized bins are compatible with the previous Würth small load carriers which comply with the VDA standard and optimise workflows in the production process. This eliminates surplus transport movements and costly time.

The W-KLT<sup>®</sup> bins are a part of the holistic supply concept for production material and operating supplies. The bin solutions allow industrial companies to save valuable time and reduce transport movements, enable efficient use of storage and production areas, achieve significant optimisations in terms of costs and processes, and provide complete transparency. They also allow for the optimisation of items, requirements, systems and resources across a wide range of departments.

The German Packaging Institute, the organiser of the event, is extending an open invitation to attend the presentation of the awards at the FachPack trade fair in Nuremberg on 27 September. Here, Würth Industrie Service will be selected as the winner in the "Logistics and material flow" category.





## **Image material:**

Image 1: Awarded – Bins of Würth Industrie Service.jpeg Image caption 1: Award-winning – The W-KLT®2.0 bins developed by Würth Industrie Service Source: German Packaging Awards

Profile: Würth Industrie Service GmbH & Co. KG

Würth Industrie Service GmbH & Co. KG is responsible for industrial supply within the Würth Group. Since it was established in 1999, Würth Industrie Service has been located at the Industriepark Würth in Bad Mergentheim and employs more than 1380 people.

The business presents itself to its customers as a complete supplier of C-Parts, with a specialised product range of over 1,000,000 items from screws and fastening technology through to tools, chemical products and personal protective equipment.

In addition to a comprehensive standard range, our strength lies in customised logistical, procurement and service concepts, as well as specialised parts. Under the brand of "CPS<sup>®</sup> – C-Parts Solutions", the company offers modular solutions to perfectly fit customers' requirements. Usage-based and requirements-based systems therefore significantly rationalise the processes of purchasing, logistics and quality assurance, enabling the customer to acquire small parts in a cost-effective manner.

Logistical and procurement services such as scanner-supported rack systems or just-in-time supply using Kanban bin systems make a big contribution to an increase in productivity.