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# aktuell

The magazine for customers, staff and friends of the Forster Group

A photograph of a modern office interior. In the foreground, there are several light-colored office cabinets and a filing cabinet. The background shows a large window with a view of a city skyline, including the Chrysler Building and the Empire State Building. The text 'FOREG® Office: Office Furniture for Those Who Like it Neat and Tidy ... page 12' is overlaid on the image.

**FOREG<sup>®</sup> Office:**  
**Office Furniture for**  
**Those Who Like it**  
**Neat and Tidy ...** page 12

## UP-FRONT NEWS

Dear Friends,  
Dear Staff Members,

The start of the new year is a good time to look back and be proud of our achievements. In the past year we worked hard and had some exciting times. In this issue of Forster Aktuell we present to you some of our most interesting projects and solutions from across the whole of our range of products.

You will not have missed the new online appearance of the Forster Group. Whether you use smartphone, tablet or PC – our user-friendly website automatically adapts to all terminals and operating systems, providing you with information on all our products in a simple and straightforward manner.

This is a welcome opportunity for me to thank all our customers for the trust and long years of loyalty extended to us. My sincere thanks are also due to the Forster staff: our excellent performance would not have been possible without their untiring commitment and smooth cooperation within the organisation.

This Christmas we once again waived the custom of giving presents in favour of donating an equivalent amount to SAM NÖ, the social supermarket association in Lower Austria. This non-profit charity offers low-income groups an opportunity to buy their day-to-day needs at particularly low prices. We are pleased to be able to support this regional initiative.

Enjoy reading the latest news!



Christian Forster  
Managing Director, Forster Holding GmbH

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## FOREG® ON THE MOVE

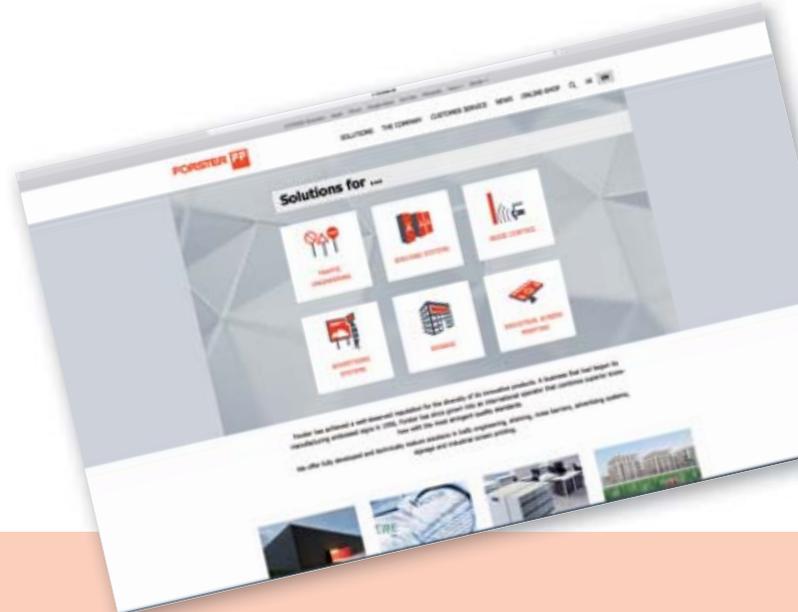
## ❖ Shelving systems for the Norwegian National Museum

Forster Metallbau has been awarded the contract for delivering and installing all the shelving systems for the new Norwegian National Museum. The Government of Norway has commissioned the building of the new facility in Oslo, which will have its focus on art, architecture and design. Developer Statsbygg contracted with Forster to plan, make, deliver and install the shelving systems on more than 6,000 square metres of storage space. Various product lines of the FOREG® shelving systems will be used for the order. The new museum is scheduled to be completed in 2020.

## NEW WEBSITE

## More than just eye candy

Have you already noticed our new Forster website? Hopefully, what has caught your eye is not just the new design but also the fact that our website is barrier-free and highly user-friendly. With just a few easy clicks you have all the information on our products at your finger-tips. Whether you use a smartphone, tablet or PC, our website automatically adapts to your own terminal and operating system, opening up a high-quality web experience – at home, at the office or en route. And if you happen not to have seen it yet, this is the link: [www.forster.at](http://www.forster.at)



## Trade show review:

**SPS IPC drives: automation in printing** ❖❖❖ Providers of automation systems from all parts of the world came together at the SPS IPC Drives in Nuremberg on 28–30 November 2017. The trade fair was the perfect platform to discover successful solutions for all automation projects. At the show, Forster ran its own stand to present industrial screen-printing products to visitors – from membrane keypads to casing parts and future-proof printed electronic components. Particular interest was excited by innovative solutions made by Forster, such as sensor printing or the Forster printed holograms, an innovation of unique standing worldwide.



### Exponatec: museum solutions to share

❖❖❖ On 22–24 November, Cologne was at the vortex of the museum world. The heritage city acted as the venue for the communications platform between experts in the field of museums, conservation and heritage. Forster used the opportunity to present solutions for storage design, picture archives and archiving systems. At our stand, visitors gained a hands-on experience of our shelving systems which are designed to ideally match the needs of museums.

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ASFINAG

## Lay-bys fitted with augmented reality

Giving motorists a pleasant journey interspersed by diverting breaks – that was the purpose of fitting 47 Asfinag lay-bys with even more traveling information in a scheme known as “Hello Life”. These “regional windows” are furnished with smart information films that offer a helpline around breaking the journey for safety’s sake and much more services. An Asfinag app called “Unterwegs” provides motorists with a digital experience based on augmented reality. The printed films, about 7 x 2 metres in size, are covered in a protective laminate and attached to glass walls. In this way they can withstand the frequently rough weather conditions at the resting places. 



Augmented reality turns information on safety and driving stops into a digital experience.



PERFECTLY PRESENTED SKIN CARE

## Beiersdorf lights up winter sales

**Just before Christmas, Beiersdorf had Forster displays installed to ensure the most effective presentation of its products. The company stands for more than 130 years of experience in skin care combined with innovative, high-quality products and naturally is keen on getting its POS appearance just right.**

Have you recently visited your local chemist's? If so, perhaps you noted the new displays for Eucerin, promoting the high-quality skin care products in a vision of white reflecting the winter season. The display's colour is even more suitable when we consider that white is not just the colour of snow and ice but also stands for purity.

**Stable and graceful**  A section frame made of steel as the basic element of the display almost 1.7 metres tall provides the requisite stability. The facings on the front and back are made of acrylic glass and digitally imprinted all across. Product trays as clear as glass round off the presentation. The result: a particularly elegant look that does full justice to the products and is bound to attract the attention of customers. Flexibility is provided by a satin-finished crowner which ensures quick and easy changing of the inscription.

**Lip care on wheels**  For its Labello brand, Beiersdorf similarly opted for a top-quality Forster display. The lip balm POS display is

## HEALTH INITIATIVE

# Fitness in advertising

The Lower Austrian Health and Social Fund puts its trust in the advertising competence amassed by Forster. Specifically for its “Tut gut!” health initiative, the Fund in 2017 ordered sandwich boards, embossed signs, information panels, roll-ups and photo walls.

Long years of experience in screen and digital printing, high precision in manufacturing, a full range of metal and plastic products – this is what Forster advertising is all about. The rich programme spans simple advertising signs as much as vehicle signage, large-scale adverts and safety prints fitted with holograms. A large part of our offer was taken up by the Lower Austrian health initiative.

**Photo with Fito Fit** ..... Funny Fito Fit is a real attraction for kids at all events. The mascot is depicted on a photo wall so that tall and small fans can have a photo taken with their favourite doggy. The stand was made of a rigid foam board 10 mm in thickness, which makes it weather-proof as well as stable and light-weight. Made of two parts, the photo wall is easy to store and transport in spite of its 1.5 x 1.7 metres in size.



Perfection in the making: the POS display has the characteristic shape and colour of a Labello lip balm stick.

a solid metal-plastic combination that has blister hooks attached to its back wall to hold a large number of the lip balm sticks. Covered by impact-resistant polycarbonate, the display's appearance hints at the iconic shape of the Labello stick, further underlined by the use of the brand colours blue and white. In order to draw the spotlight on the products, cutouts were provided for the screen-prints that allow more light in and enable customers to have a side look at the products. The crowner panel made of acrylic glass exactly matches the overall effect. The display is fitted with five arrestable wheels for easy handling at the POS. 



The Fito Fit stand is light, stable and weather-proof.



**Embossed signs for “healthy” companies** ..... The health initiative has much to offer, and not just to kids. Its “Healthy Company” drive actually concerns all of us. Its message is “Health at the workplace is more than just a basket of fruits”. Companies are given a helping hand in their efforts to offer sustainably healthy workplaces. Participating firms are awarded embossed signs to advertise their certification. The signs (of a 250 x 250 mm format) are made of soft aluminium sheets and delivered together with the requisite screws and lugs. 



#### THE GREAT YBBSTAL CYCLE TRAIL

## Forster tags cyclists' heaven



**A major tourist attraction in the Mostviertel in western Lower Austria is the Ybbstal cycle trail, which offers a true cycling experience along a run of 55 kilometres. Local signs were provided by Forster Verkehrs- und Werbetechnik.**

After almost three years of preparations, the new cycle trail connecting Waidhofen an der Ybbs and Lunz am See was opened in mid-2017. It is plastered with signs to ensure that cyclists would find their way along still unfamiliar terrain: green signs announce key route destinations and cyclist-friendly accommodations. The route is provided with parking spaces, info points, rest areas and

shelters, all of which are optimally indicated with well designed signs. The formline signs with their rounded edges are not just pleasant to look at but also stabler, safer and stronger than flat signs. Cyclists can relax and enjoy their perambulations along the river.

**Clarity wins** — Sports and exercise are major features of the tourist offer in Austrian communities. The feel-good factor takes priority, healthy living in harmony with nature is important. And when the trails for runners, cyclists and hikers are well marked, the region will gain enormously in its attractiveness. Forster has the perfect solutions, right down to the materials for fastening the signs. 

## B 38 BYPASS AT ZWETTL

# A quick detour

**The B 38 bypass circumventing Zwettl took 32 months to build. On 30 July 2017, Ms Johanna Mikl-Leitner, in her capacity of governor of Lower Austria, officially dedicated the new route. All of the road signage was supplied by Forster.**

At last Zwettl can breathe again. The 10.7-kilometre bypass finally relieves its residents of the through-traffic. Even though the main objective of the new bypass was to lighten the traffic burden for the town, there were plenty of other reasons to invest in the project. Improved infrastructural links increase the locational quality of Zwettl and help it connect to the surrounding regions. The bypass improves road safety, enhances the local quality of living and, as an added bonus, cuts driving times from Gmünd or Weitra to Krems and St. Pölten by up to 15 minutes.

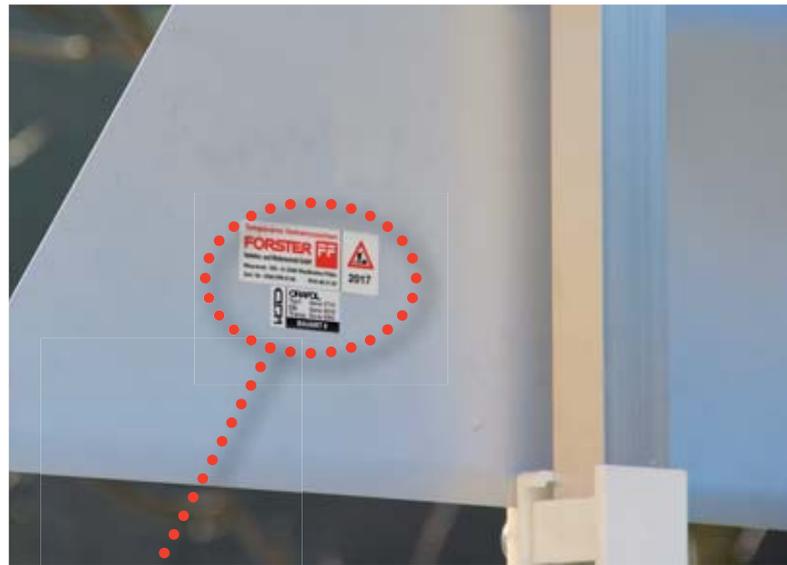
**Road signs for safety** ..... All standard road signs, direction signs and advance direction signs installed for the project were made by Forster. Most of the signs were placed on tubular frames. Concrete tubular foundations, foundation bases and road edge guide posts – with and without snow poles – were also included in the scope of delivery.

The Zwettl bypass was executed as a public-private partnership (PPP) project. A private contractor was charged with organising financing, construction planning, construction and maintenance for 28 years. Section services and snow clearing will be provided by the Lower Austrian road administration. 



## NEW RULES FOR TEMPORARY TRAFFIC SIGNS

# Greater safety along building sites



Manufacturer's sticker and type sticker clarify whether a site sign complies with testing criteria.



**The new guideline RVS 08.31.02 on "Temporary Traffic Signs" gained validity on 1 November 2017. It regulates the required criteria for building site signs.**

Whenever a rule is changed the main point is finding out exactly what has changed. In the case of RVS 08.31.02, building site signs now need to comply with more stringent requirements. Signs need to be made similarly to stationary signs, except that no CE mark is necessary. Specifically, this means that the reflecting film must be of type 1 as a minimum and alu-

minium signs must have a sheet thickness of 1,5 mm. Signs conforming to such criteria are intended to make passing along building sites less dangerous.

**Obligation to mark** ----- Moreover, a rule applicable since 1 November 2017 obliges site operators to mark temporary traffic signs with stickers indicating their manufacturer and type. These stickers need to state the following: manufacturer/distributor, guideline, year of manufacturing, certification body, certification number or verification document number and type

of sign. This streamlined marking will make it easier to determine whether a building site traffic sign complies with the testing criteria.

**Nothing new for Forster** ----- Nevertheless, if you use Forster products for your site traffic signs you need not worry about all these rules because our products have long since been made to these rules. Since November we have been placing the requisite stickers on them. Incidentally you may continue to use your current signs provided that they comply with the minimum requirements. 

## GANTRIES IN NUREMBERG

# The longest product ever made by Forster

Last August, the new lanes of the now six-lane A6 motorway between the interchanges of Southern and Eastern Nuremberg were opened to traffic. Gantries made by Forster are among the factors that make sure that traffic can flow safely and smoothly.

The A6 motorway is part of the west-east axis linking Paris with Prague via Nuremberg. It is thus one of the most important transit routes across the width of Europe. On heavy-traffic days up to 100,000 vehicles use the motorway interchange. Passing along the 5.7 kilometres of road next to Nuremberg, they pass under our gantry which, at almost 55 metres in length, is the longest that has ever left our works at Waidhofen.



**Future-proof** ..... Forster's scope of delivery comprised four truss bridges, twelve double-beam bridges, four single-beam bridges and three cantilevers. The different designs are matched to the varying needs of the specific locations. Variable traffic signs based on prisms

and LEDs respond to changes in the traffic flow, ensuring that the system will meet all present and future requirements. **FF**

At a length of 54.75 metres and a weight of 48.58 tons, the longest gantry ever made by Forster is an impressive structure.

## SCHEIBENGIPFEL TUNNEL

# Living gets better at Reutlingen

Last October, the long-awaited Scheibengipfel tunnel near Reutlingen was at last opened to the public. Variable message signs and displays made by Forster channel the traffic flow.

Quickly responding and reliable indicators are an absolute must when it comes to accessing a tunnel, especially when an unexpected incident such as a car crash should happen. Forster has made sure that the Scheibengipfel tunnel is fitted with secure and flexible traffic signs. The variable message signs regulating access to the tunnel are provided with rotating triangular prisms

which can be quickly set to show the correct symbols or texts for road blocks or alternative routes.

**Sustainably good** ..... The prism-type variable message signs are highly energy-efficient because they need almost no electricity for their operation. Corrosion-resistant aluminium and a two-layer powder coat make them particularly long-lived.

The Reutlingen bypass and tunnel are designed to reduce the noise and exhaust from cars in the inner town while accelerating the traffic flow for motorists. **FF**



Low on energy consumption and safe: prism-type variable message signs made by Forster contribute to a controlled traffic flow.



## BUS STOP SIGNS

# Right place, right time

Public transport is getting a new lease on life. Consequently, there is an increasing demand for well-appointed stops. Signs made by Forster are an absolute must to make stops practicable.

Where is the next bus stop? To make a stop visible from afar you need conspicuous signs – such as signs made by Forster. Thanks to their high-quality material and robust powder-coating Forster signs are, moreover, ideally suited for outdoor use.

**Long service life** ..... The timetable boxes formed from edged aluminium are sturdy and of the best quality. The white aluminium RAL 9006 powder coating easily copes

with all the weather caprices that may occur out of doors. Inside is fitted an aluminium insert to hold the timetable, protected by a high-grade transparent PET cover that screens the paper against inclement weather while ensuring optimal readability. Passengers are thus able to clearly see all the pertinent information.

**The secrets of the timetable** ..... Obviously timetables need to be updated from time to time. No

problem thanks to our adhesive suction device! It gently lifts the plastic cover, so that the timetable can be exchanged, and then lowers the cover again – a user-friendly process with zero complications.

Forster's high-grade stop signs and timetable boxes therefore meet all the prerequisites for a proper design of bus stops, and in this way contribute to the progress of public transport. 

PRIVATE UNIVERSITY AT KREMS EXPANDS

# A landmark development for health care

The new building of the Karl Landsteiner Private University was opened on 17 March 2017. Thanks to this addition, the university now has more space for teaching and research in the health care sciences at the Krems Campus. The signs for the building were provided by Forster.

A modern teaching and research facility requires quite some infrastructure. Consequently the Karl Landsteiner University of Health Sciences comprises an auditorium, several lecture rooms, a teaching laboratory and a skills lab to teach basic clinical skills. The new building took almost two years to be completed. Forster provided not just door and direction signs to blend with the architecture but was also in charge of delivering and installing all the building's signage.

**Well rounded** ..... Upon entering the building, visitors immediately come up against the layout panel in the lobby. Done as white film against an anthracite background, it lists all internal destinations and departments. The floor information uses high-quality film letters to guide visitors around all levels. The slim and elegant door and direction signs make it easy for all comers to find the rooms and halls they want.

**Soundly grounded direction signs** ..... To ensure that all visitors find their way around, Forster has fitted the new addition as well as the existing building with tactile floor marks. Combined with a handrail inscription in Braille, these make it easier for visually challenged individuals to move through the building. Forster



knows from experience that this feature requires maximum precision and accuracy.

**Glass marks for clarity** ..... The two-coloured marking of glass as required by Austrian standard

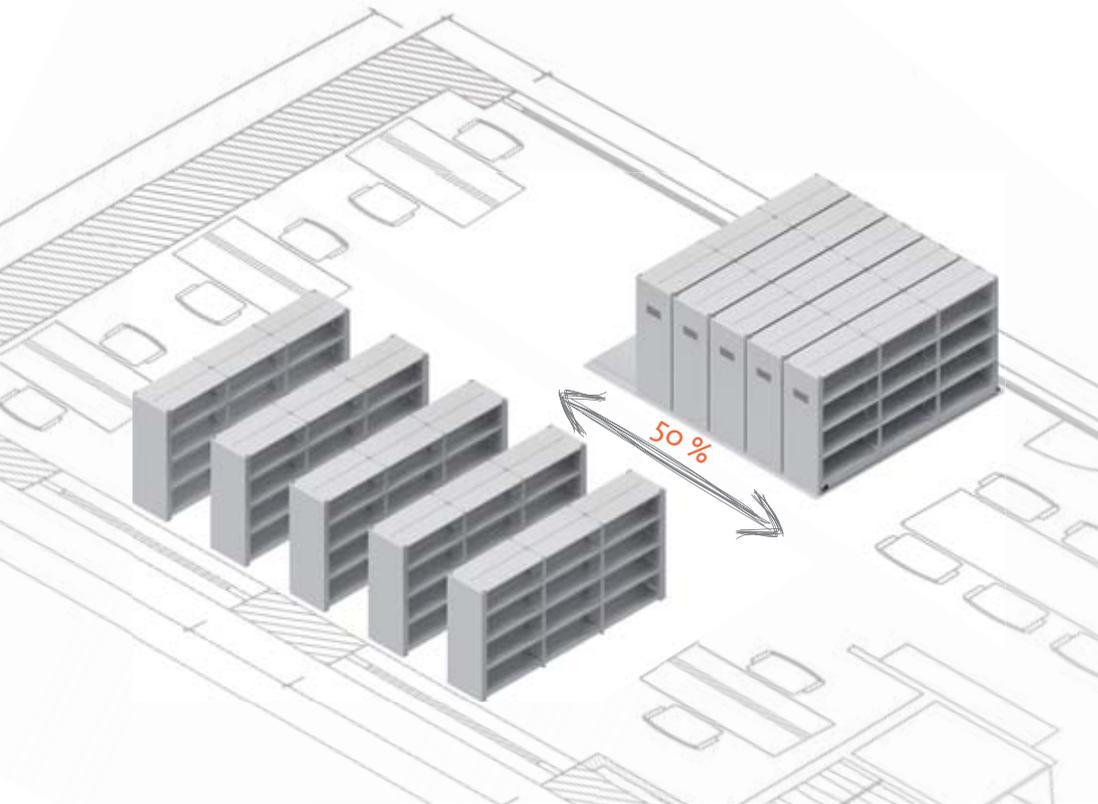
ÖNORM B1600 was executed with highly transparent film. In this way, glass doors are made visible while the objects behind are not obscured. 



The Stein fire station has become a co-resident of the building, as is indicated by the inscription made of laser-cut metal letters with a plastic coating.

NEW SHELVING SYSTEM FOR THE OFFICE: FOREG® OFFICE

# Same place but more space



**Regardless of how your workplace looks in detail or your requirements for storage space, one thing is certain: we all want more space. Forster's recently introduced FOREG® Office system creates exactly this additional space, offering optimal solutions for any office environment.**

Have you already been introduced to the innovative and novel office shelving system made by Forster? Individually movable shelving cabinets in a variety of sizes, quickly installed and flexibly arranged – this is the basic principle of how FOREG® Office works. Your floor space remains the same but the system allows you to multiply your storage space or extend more elbow room to your staff. Using the available space more efficiently and cutting space requirement by up to 50% naturally has its impact on your operating costs, whether you run an open-plan office or work from your home office.



**No limits to design creativity** ..... FOREG® Office blends harmoniously with the design of your outfit. From end panels made of metal or glass to fabric-covered acoustic panels – the range covers everything, including paint coats in your corporate colours. Individual fancies can be catered for: panels can be imprinted with your favourite motif. Moving is no problem: simply take the modules apart and refit them in their new surrounding.

**Pin board or whiteboard** ..... Fabric-covered panels double as pin boards. For those who prefer writing or drawing directly onto a board, the end panel may be



supplied with a specially coated surface that turns it into a magnetic dry erase whiteboard.



**At the push of a button** ..... FOREG® Office moves either mechanically, with a crank drive, or, for those who opt for maximum ease of operation, electronically. The latter version has an elegant touch-panel control made of genuine glass that controls each mobile base individually.

The system has numerous functions and safety features, i.a. distance sensors, motor current monitoring, central interlock and automated ventilation position.

**That extra mile** ..... Whether you need a new wardrobe for your archives or want to match the depth of your shelves exactly to the filing boxes used by you: FOREG® Office has everything you want. The various components exactly complement each other and can be added or replaced at any time as required. Fitting accessories cover a wide range of needs, from wardrobe rods to filing cradles.

**Saving space makes you happy**

..... Perfection in furniture eases office life and improves the office climate. FOREG® Office makes the best possible use of the space, stands for variety in modular design, is great in storage flexibility and ensures that staff members deliver their best performance. 🏢

Acoustic panels (sound absorption category D) effectively absorb surround noise, thereby improving spatial acoustics.



Thanks to its modular principle FOREG® Office can be easily extended.

SHELVES FOR MUSEUMS IN THREE COUNTRIES

# Tender loving care for art and culture

**The Collection and Research Centre of the Tyrolean State Museums, the archives of the Musée de Tours in France and the Depot Patrimoniaux in Switzerland share several common features: treasured artefacts, valuable paintings – and new shelving systems made by Forster.**

Museums revolve and evolve around their archives. Consequently they need to devote considerable attention to designing and building up their storage systems. When it comes to optimal protection in combination with easy access for their treasures museum directors ever more frequently opt for Forster.



## The treasure house of Tyrol

Tiny moths, rare musical instruments and precious paintings are among the treasures assembled by the Collection and Research Centre of the Tyrolean State Museums. Where previously the Tyrolian state collections and those of the Ferdinandeum Association were housed in eight different locations, a new



## Flexibility for Switzerland

building offering a total of 14,000 square metres in space is now available to accommodate the exhibits, workshops and workplaces under a single roof. Of this spatial largesse, the Centre has dedicated some



7,800 square metres as storage space.

The various groups of exhibits each need their own particular storage system. Stuffed animals are stashed in a mobile base with height-adjustable shelves. Smaller items such as jewellery are neatly placed on trays and rocks are cradled in wooden drawers.

Thanks to the Forster shelving systems, each nook and cranny of the museum can be put to its optimal use. Altogether, 3,000 metres of rails were installed for the mobile FOREG® elements which are flexible to use and famous for their smooth and vibration-free running.



Whether it is suits of armour, clocks, cups, handcars or supersized paintings: their storage calls for utmost system flexibility at the Depot Patrimoniaux in Geneva. For its mobile and stationary shelves the Depot chose a wide range of different accessories such as drawers and brackets which can be subsequently adapted to different requirements. Forster Archiv- und Verkehrstechnik, our subsidiary in Switzerland, installed altogether 48,000 metres of storage shelves and 6,900 square metres of picture panels at the Depot Patrimoniaux. Large-scale and supersize formats are kept in FOREG® flat file cabinets.

## Space-savers for France

Whether individual paintings or complete collections, archivers of valuable objects are always faced with a great challenge. Thanks to our long experience in designing and constructing archives, Forster has acquired a sound reputation, not least when it comes to archiving paintings. For this reason, the city fathers of Tours at the Loire in France decided in favour of Forster when they combined the archives of three museums. Samodef-Forster, the French subsidiary of the Forster Group, handled the delivery of the 2,300 square metres of retractable and fixed picture panels. 📖



### Forster picture panels:

- ❖ save space: the latticed panels make the best possible use of space;
- ❖ are optimally accessible;
- ❖ move almost without vibrations;
- ❖ are practical: movement is restricted to the panel actually needed;
- ❖ provide utmost stability.



Simulation using Fonocon®  
sound resonator

#### FONOCON® SOUND RESONATOR

# Ample research for noise protection

**The new Fonocon® sound resonator screens residents from the noise emanating from trains. The scale of protection is demonstrated by scientific studies. The innovation involved many years of detailed research before a successful product could be developed.**

Let's just build a wall to block off the hellish racket? It may sound like a simple solution for laypersons, but the development of noise barriers is a complex affair that requires going into the finest detail. Thus, a research venture with systems engineering at Deutsche Bahn in Munich and AIT Austrian Institute of Technology GmbH in Vienna was dedicated solely to the refraction properties of crown panels. The outcome of this project: the Fonocon® sound resonator made by Forster.

**Full-fledged development** ..... In noise barriers a key role is played by the top element which acts as the refracting edge. After years

of research, European standards were developed that make it easier to evaluate crowning elements, which facilitates comparison. The standards are the first to explicitly discuss the specific frequency ranges of road and rail noise. Such frequencies can be filtered separately using specifically adapted noise screens. Forster was consulted for the study of different designs, thereby supporting the development of an innovative sound resonator for rail tracks.

**Top in analytical and empirical research** ..... Sound diffraction index, geometric orientation of the absorption plane, far field

effect – when developing a noise protection element there is much to consider, many standards need to be complied with and plenty of data must be analysed. For the Fonocon® sound resonator, several simulation models were prepared and large-scale testing was carried out. The road to success was long but at the end we had a sophisticated product that conforms to the standards and is well documented in its effectivity at all levels.

**Reading material for railway engineers** ..... The details of our new noise screen have produced quite some excitement among and praise from experts. An article on “Innovative sound resonator solves the rail noise challenge” was published in the June 2017 issue of the railway magazine EI – Der Eisenbahningenieur. 

FONOCON® URBAN

# Noise screens for industrial facilities

**What to do if industrial facilities get bigger and noisier over the years? There is a growing demand for noise barriers by industrial operations.**

Noise emanating from industrially used buildings, produced by machines, refrigerating plants or power generators, can cause considerable distress among neighbours, staff members and visitors. Frequently the din gets so bad that structural measures need to be taken. FONOCON® Urban noise screening elements are an effective solution to such problems.

**Ideal inside and out** ..... Aluminium elements provide ideal noise protection on industrial premises, not least due to their slim design and low weight. FONOCON® Urban noise screening systems are, moreover, extremely flexible in their colouring and installation. Applications and customised solutions that exactly meet your requirements are thus available in all conceivable variations. 🏠



## Noise screening for industrial facilities

- ❖ Noise barrier and relief for residents
- ❖ Protects location and improves quality of the workplace
- ❖ Once installed it is maintenance-free
- ❖ Can be installed by customer
- ❖ Cost-effective due to long service life
- ❖ Easy to individualise and match to interior design



# News from Forster Group staff

## ❖ ANNIVERSARIES

### Waidhofen/Ybbs:

#### 45 YEARS

Karl Haselsteiner  
Gerhard Tauchner

#### 40 YEARS

Konrad Ritt  
Walter Schreil

#### 30 YEARS

Günther Almer  
Franz Aspalter  
Robert Bladerer  
Emil Breg  
Josef Großbauer  
Harald Grünberger  
Michael Hubmann  
Eduard Katzensteiner  
Thomas Steinmetz  
Hermann Teufl

#### 25 YEARS

Mehmet Cagiran  
Gerhard Cecil  
Leopoldine Käfer-Schlager  
Heinrich Lumetsberger  
Ingrid Lumetsberger  
Helmut Maderthaner  
Wolfgang Schuller  
Christina Steinmetz

Thomas Zwettler

#### 20 YEARS

Markus Fehringer  
Kunigunde Härtinger  
Astrid Heinzl  
Dagmar Herold  
Martin Hinterholzer  
Helmuth Mairhofer  
Michael Mairoll  
Mehmed Ramljak

#### 15 YEARS

Thomas Hintsteiner  
Georg Höblinger  
Anton Holzer  
Markus Huber  
Christian Käferbäck  
Patrik Kleinlehner  
Christian Rehak  
Michaela Schütter  
Helmut Sonnleitner  
Thomas Stadler  
Florian Stockner

#### 10 YEARS

Sascha Bürbaumer  
Pamela Forster  
Milan Jurik  
Dominik Rettensteiner  
Josef Teker

### St. Peter/Au:

#### 40 YEARS

Franz Kirchweger

#### 30 YEARS

Gerhard Kirschbichler  
Helmut Kloibhofer  
Margarita Maurerlehner  
Alfred-Florian Schoberberger  
Alois Wimmer

#### 25 YEARS

Brigitta Mayer  
Maria Pfaffenbichler  
Ücler Tokmak

#### 20 YEARS

Nihad Delilovic  
Thomas Sommer  
Franz Wagner

#### 15 YEARS

Robin Bachner  
Sandra Kaineder  
Herbert Lettner  
Patrik Reiter  
Mario Strohmayer

#### 10 YEARS

Adelheid Bürger  
Astrid Gartlehner  
Margit Halbmayr  
Heinrich Kammerhofer  
Mario Kronsteiner

## ANNIVERSARIES:

Celebrating their 45 year anniversary at Forster were Gerhard Tauchner (third from left) and Karl Haselsteiner (second from left). Konrad Ritt (fourth from right), Walter Schreil (first from left) and Franz Kirchweger (fourth from left) have been working for Forster for 40 years. They were fêted by Christian Forster, Robert Reichartzeder and Hans Peter Prüller from the company's management.



## RETIREMENT



**Marianne Rudolf** joined the company in 1975. After some years of handling orders, she changed to the accounts payable department, did a short stint at the purchasing department and returned to accounting. From 2005 on she was responsible for accounts payable at Forster.

Thomas Prantner  
Stelian Revnic  
Erwin Steinbauer  
Siegfried Ubl  
Elisabeth Wimmer

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## ❖ RETIREMENT

### Waidhofen/Ybbs:

Josef Helm, Marianne Rudolf, Helmut Seyerlehner, Engelbert Helm, Johann Klement, Leopoldine Käfer-Schlager, Waltraud Rössler

### St. Peter/Au:

Ludwig Jechsmayr, Franz Grubhofer, Maria Langerreiter, Christian Stoik

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## ❖ OCCUPATIONAL TRAINING

**Manuel Gröbl** (metal fitting – mechanical engineering as the main module) and **Thomas Hornbachner** (metal fitting – mechanical engi-

neering as the main module) graduated from the second form with *excellent success*.

**Andreas Kammerhofer** (metal fitting – mechanical engineering as the main module) graduated from the third and fourth forms with good success. In addition he graduated from the fourth form (draftsman apprenticeship) with *excellent success*.

**Matthias Riedler** (metal fitting – mechanical engineering as the main module) graduated from the third and fourth forms with *excellent success*.

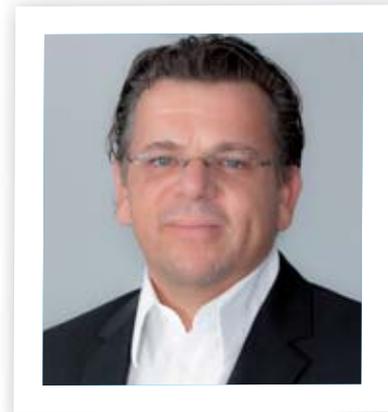
**Rene Reikersdorfer** (metal fitting – mechanical engineering as the main module) and **Thomas Zulechner** (metal fitting – mechanical engineering as the main module) graduated from the first form with *excellent success*.

**Benjamin Omerovic** (printing – priority on screen-printing) graduated from the third and fourth forms with good success.

**Lena Wagner** (trainee industrial manager) graduated from the second form with *excellent success*, and **Patricia Claudia Schreil** (trainee industrial manager) passed the apprenticeship completion examination.

*Our congratulations on their excellent performance and our best wishes for their further career!*

## NEW CONTACT FOR TYROL AND VORARLBERG



### Peter Wijnands

Appointed regional sales director for Tyrol and Vorarlberg as of January 2018, he will advise and support our customers in all matters of traffic engineering and facility signage.

Staff status as of 12/2017



**Engelbert Helm** ended his active career in inventory management at Works 1 after almost 45 years on the job. He started out as a paintshop worker in 1972 before changing to the structural steel department, went on to the aluminium department and finally found his place in stock control.



**Josef Helm** retired after more than 45 years working for the company. He began in the aluminium department with tubular frames and clips and later took over the punching department at Works 1.



**Johann Klement** joined Forster's metal department in 1981. Already in 1989 he was appointed manager of the aluminium department and remained responsible for this part of the production at the Waidhofen/Ybbs works until he retired in July 2017.

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