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Arnold Umformtechnik wins turntec award

ARNOLD wins Gold for "Fastener Express" – awarded distinction for its innovative Rapid Prototyping concept -

(Forchtenberg) At the turntec 2007 show Arnold Umformtechnik received the Gold turntec AWARD for

the "Fastener Express" experts on every component commissioned. "Fastener Express" delivers the necessary functional parameters at the interface with the bulk production process, so that a decision can be reached as to the feasibility of manufacturing a turned or

The Arnold Group is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Würth Group, which, with over 60,000 employees and with 384 companies world-wide operates on a global basis with earnings of over 7 billion euros.



"Fastener Express", its innovative rapid prototyping concept. The prestigious jury paid tribute to the innovative and cost-cutting approach made by the fastener specialists from Forchtenberg in Germany.

The jury was convinced by Arnold's concept, principally due to its process reliability, and the resulting extremely complex prototypes for fasteners and precision parts, produced to near-series characteristics in a quarter of the usual time and at a quarter of the usual cost. Another positive factor that influenced their decision was Arnold's unique "bulk production check" carried out by

pressed part.

Michael Pult, who accepted the prize on behalf of Arnold, views his company's concept as a pioneering solution for the growing "functional prototyping" market. "In these days of global competition our "bulk production check" service provides crucial added value for our clients," said Pult, outlining the benefits of the process. "It means that at the prototype stage we can supply a sustainable decision-making basis when selecting the optimum production process for mass-producing parts – including the cost factor."

The turntec AWARD is an award made to exhibitors at turntec to mark pioneering technologies, international innovations on the market, and excellent services. This year is the fifth year that the prize has been awarded. A prestigious jury, consisting of highly-qualified experts representing users, universities and the technical press, evaluated the submissions. The Gold, Silver and Bronze awards for the three most innovative submissions were presented on the opening day by Dr. Joachim Wuermeling, State Secretary of the German Federal Ministry for Economics and Technology.

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