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## **KTR take over the brake manufacturer EM Brake Systems AG**

**Rheine – KTR Kupplungstechnik GmbH from Rheine continue to expand their business of brakes, having taken over EM Brake Systems AG (EMB) located in Schloß Holte-Stukenbrock for 100 % as at 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013. The East Westphalian company EMB is a manufacturer of electromechanical brakes for wind power stations and industrial applications.**

„EM Brake Systems AG have developed a modern and innovative brake design which they have successfully established in the market over the past few years“, Prof. Dr. h. c. Josef Gerstner explains, CEO of KTR, adding: „In this regard the design shows trend-setting features which have already been used in wind technology with promising prospects“. KTR have projected and distributed hydraulic brakes throughout the world for several years. Purchasing EM Brake Systems AG the family-owned company located in Northern Münsterland has expanded its portfolio of high-performance brake components by the range of electromechanical brake systems. „In this way we strengthen our market position in wind power technology while at the same time increasing the relevance of our high-performance brakes for industrial applications“, Gerstner announces. The location of EM Brake Systems AG in Schloß Holte-Stukenbrock is retained and will be developed to become a competence centre for brakes. All sorts of activities of the KTR group of

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companies with regard to brakes, brake systems and components will be concentrated here in the future.

For more than 50 years the name of KTR has represented good connections. Being a leading manufacturer of high-quality drive, hydraulic and brake components, KTR supply mechanical couplings, torque limiters, clamping sets, measuring systems, hydraulic components and high-performance brakes all over the world. With more than 850 employees, more than 370 of them working at the headquarters in Rheine, and 20 subsidiary companies, the family-owned company is operating on a global scale. KTR – Made for Motion.

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*Prof. Dr. h. c. Josef Gerstner, CEO of KTR, and Dipl.-Ing. Alexander Remes, Chairman of EM Brake Systems AG, signing the contract (from right to left)*



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