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## Putting health and safety first

Trade Supervisory Board certifies occupational and plant safety at Trans-Textil GmbH

Freilassing. Used in protective clothing for firefighters, emergency services and police forces, the functional textiles produced by Trans-Textil GmbH ensure safety the world over. In-house, too, the Freilassing company places great importance on the health of its over 90 employees and the local community. This commitment has now been reviewed and confirmed anew by the Trade Supervisory Board of the District Government of Upper Bavaria after the company requested additional certification according to the internationally recognised "OHRIS" standard.

Trans-Textil GmbH has been awarded the OHRIS certification for the fourth time in a row, this time in person by Friedrich Wink, Head of the Trade Supervisory Board, who took the time to acquaint himself with the company on site together with his colleague, Department Head Jasmin Birkl. This followed a full-day audit that looked at the processes and the management system in place for occupational and plant safety, which the team successfully passed. Trans-Textil thus now counts among the approximately 370 Bavarian companies to hold the OHRIS ("Occupational Health and Risk Management System") certification. The Bavarian programme is free-of-charge for companies supported by the Trade Supervisory Board. It also complies with the current requirements of the ISO 45001 standard and is thus recognised internationally.

"The fact that a medium-sized company such as Trans-Textil has put an occupational safety management system in place does not come as a given. It does, however, show that the company is very much people-driven," remarked Friedrich Wink on presenting the certificates. "Occupational safety is a joint effort. Twelve years of OHRIS at Trans-Textil testifies to its continued commitment and a trusting cooperation between the company and the Trade Supervisory Board," added Wink.

"We want all our colleagues to feel safe and remain healthy at work," said Matthias Krings, Managing Director of Trans-Textil GmbH, describing the company's primary goal. In safeguarding this goal, the company views occupational safety within the OHRIS framework as a conscious, daily joint task that goes beyond observing legal requirements. "Many members of the team contribute individual skills and achievements here, for instance an additional qualification as a first aider, fire protection assistant or safety officer," Krings added. Trainees and employees can also familiarise themselves with the topic by

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participating in the company's active suggestion scheme, regular training events and by networking with local emergency services. Besides this, Trans-Textil offers a number of benefits ranging from health programmes right through to supplementary company health insurance.



Image: Presentation of the OHRIS certificates, f.l.t.r. Jasmin Birkl, Department Head at the Trade Supervisory Board Friedrich Wink, Head of the Trade Supervisory Board of the District Government of Upper Bavaria Matthias Krings, Managing Director of Trans-Textil GmbH Andreas Hänsch, Senior Manager at Trans-Textil GmbH Wilhelm Krings, Managing Director of Trans-Textil GmbH