

Press release

JAG expands its robotics business and takes over R. Wick AG

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By taking over R. Wick AG, JAG Jakob Ltd is making strides in the field of robotics solutions and industrial automation and is becoming one of the most significant system integrators for robotics systems in Switzerland.

JAG is a leading expert in process automation and technology that has been planning, constructing and integrating robot cells with peripheral systems into production plants for several years. JAG has successfully established itself as a system integrator for turnkey robot cells, primarily in French-speaking Switzerland, achieving a strong market position at local level.

Since early 2018, JAG has also been the systems and sales partner for the autonomous mobile robots of Danish manufacturer Mobile Industrial Robots MiR.

JAG concentrates its robotics activities in Pruntrut where it has spent the last seven years establishing a centre of excellence for robotics and industrial automation at its own branch.

Major potential for synergies

By taking over R. Wick AG, JAG is significantly expanding its robotics business and is becoming one of Switzerland's most significant system integrators for robotics solutions. "R. Wick AG is currently a leading supplier of robotics solutions in German-speaking Switzerland and perfectly complements JAG's robotics activities," explains Patrick Fröhli, Managing Director of JAG Jakob Ltd. "Together we are now present in both German- and French-speaking Switzerland as well as in various European countries. The two companies also operate in different sectors and complement each other very well in this respect too". R. Wick AG is particularly active in the machine and automotive supply industry whilst JAG has many years of expertise in the pharmaceutical and food industry as well as medical technology, the watchmaking industry and microtechnology. Rudolf Wick, founder and long-standing Managing Director of R. Wick AG, stresses that the takeover provides an ideal solution for his succession, allowing R. Wick AG to be in a position to continue to advise and support its long-standing and loyal customers.



Furthermore, by taking over R. Wick AG, JAG is gaining additional and urgently needed skilled workers and capacity in the field of mechanical construction as well as in the production and installation of robot cells and peripheral systems.

The takeover took place on 6 July 2018. JAG is completely taking over R. Wick AG in Küssnacht am Rigi along with its Czech subsidiary WHS-Handling spol. s r.o.

JAG Jakob Ltd Process Technology

JAG Jakob Ltd is a leading enterprise in process technology, which designs and builds the most sophisticated process plant and automation solutions for the pharmaceutical, biotech and food industries. Using the JAG PdiCS automation and system solution, we can fully automate even the largest and most challenging production processes.

JAG's headquarters are in Brügg, near Biel/Bienne. At its branch in Pruntrut, JAG has a centre of excellence for robotics and industrial automation which plans, builds and installs turnkey robot solutions.

The JAG group also owns two subsidiary companies in Switzerland and its own branch establishment in Melbourne (Australia). Including those of R. Wick AG, the JAG group employs a total of 230 or so staff members.

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R. Wick AG

R. Wick AG has been delivering automation and robotics solutions for the machinery industry for many years. Wick not only builds a variety of standard robot cells for the automation of machine tools but also constructs complex client-specific system solutions for entire production lines. R. Wick AG operates its own cell management system and overarching control system for the management of production lines.

R. Wick AG is a leading system supplier in German-speaking Switzerland with headquarters in Küssnacht am Rigi. It has its own subsidiary in the Czech Republic, WHS-Handling spol. s r.o., with three branches. Wick employs around 50 members of staff in total.

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