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PRESS RELEASE

**The Weinig Group: Successful trade fair in Milan**

Weinig returns from the specialist wood trade fair Xylexpo in Milan with good results. 71 wood processing machines and systems were sold Group-wide. This means a strong improvement, compared to the last Xylexpo two years ago. In Milan, the WEINIG Group presented its flagship models, new developments and innovations on an area of 600 sqm. Solutions covering the entire value chain were in demand. The business unit Panel Processing, represented by Holz-Her, strengthened its position in this segment impressively. The innovations in the solid wood sector proved to be precisely tailored to the needs of the market. Attention was focused mainly on the topics of connectivity and automation. The world market leader Weinig benefited from its unique competence as a complete provider.

Xylexpo 2016 saw about 14% more professional visitors than the last fair - a clear upward trend. The good response was reassuring for the Weinig Group, which traditionally has close ties to the southern European markets. In the past years, the traditional Xylexpo trade fair had to cope with a strong downturn. Many market leaders from the wood industry and woodworking segment had not attended the world’s second largest sector trade fair, but came back again this year. Weinig, however, remained loyal to the fair even in hard times. At a ceremony, Acimall (the association of Italian manufacturers of wood processing machines) honored the company from Tauberbischofsheim for its 25th participation since the fair’s foundation 50 years ago.

Photos:

1. 50 years of trade fair participation in Milan: on behalf of Weinig, Klaus Müller, Head of Marketing Communications, receives a certificate from the managers of Acimall.
2. Outstanding results in Milan: machines and systems from the Weinig Group were greatly in demand.