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Bavarian Minister for Construction and Transport, Dr. Hans Reichhart, visits Kögel

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The Bavarian Minister for Construction and Transport, Dr. Hans Reichhart, visited the main Kögel plant in Burtenbach today. Kögel Managing Directors, Petra Adrianowytch and Thomas Eschey spoke to the state minister about the significance of the regional economy in regional politics and the upcoming 9th amendment to start using long trucks in regular operation on certain routes, along with the resulting possibility of using the elongated semi-trailer, which has been extended by 1.3 metres, in 15 German states.

During his visit to the plant, Reichhart revealed himself to be a connoisseur of the Bavarian trailer manufacturer, which is no surprise considering that he grew up in the neighbouring village of Jettingen-Scheppach and still lives there with his family today. State Minister Reichhart emphasised the importance of Kögel trailers for the construction and transport industry: "Kögel makes an important contribution to Bavarian goods transport. The elongated trailers produced here support combined transport by rail and road, by enabling the smooth transfer of loads between the different modes of transport. And precisely that is our goal: By expanding combined transport, we want to shift even more transports onto railways and waterways to reduce the amount of traffic on the roads." More than ten years ago, the state of Bavaria was the first German state to promote this system and fund a pilot project. Since then, the elongated semi-trailer has become a proven concept that combines economy and environmental friendliness by saving CO₂.

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Photo, from left to right: Thomas Eschey, Petra Adrianowytsh and Dr. Hans Reichhart in front of a by 1.3 metres elongated Kögel Euro Trailer
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Kögel is one of the leading trailer manufacturers in Europe. Since it was established in 1934, the company has manufactured more than 550,000 trailers. With its commercial vehicles and solutions for freight-forwarding companies and the construction industry, the company has been providing 'Made in Germany' engineering quality for more than 80 years. During this period, it has maintained its passion for transport and innovation, enabling it to offer proven, long-lasting added value to freight-forwarding companies. The company headquarters and main production facility of Kögel Trailer GmbH are located in the Bavarian town of Burtenbach. Kögel also has factories and offices in Ulm (Germany), Duingen (Germany), Chocen (Czech Republic), Verona (Italy), Zwolle (Netherlands) and Moscow (Russia).

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