

Press Release

PWO receives Volvo Car Quality Excellence Award

Oberkirch, February 24, 2014 – Progress-Werk Oberkirch AG was awarded the "Volvo Car Quality Excellence Award 2013" by its customer Volvo Car Corporation (Gothenburg) for outstanding performance.

"You are our best Suppliers." These were the words used by Håkan Samuelsson, President and CEO of the Volvo Car Corporation, to greet the world's best suppliers at Volvo's premises in Gothenburg.

The award recognizes PWO's achievements in supplying Volvo with cross-members for vehicle models V40 and V40 Cross Country. The basis for obtaining this award is twelve strict Volvo Excellence requirements which PWO had met in full. PWO stood out through its outstanding performance, particularly with regard to the criteria of quality, logistics, competitiveness, and the commitment of employees.

Karl M. Schmidhuber, Chief Executive Officer, is pleased with this award: "Series production of this cross-member started in mid-2012. We are very proud that we were able to reach such a high level of performance quality in such a short time following the series' start-up. We would like to thank Volvo for their trust in PWO and we would also like to thank our employees for their extraordinary commitment."

Progress-Werk Oberkirch AG
The Management Board

PWO company profile

PWO is one of the world's leading developers and manufacturers of advanced metal components and systems in lightweight construction for automotive safety and comfort. The company has developed a unique knowledge in the forming and joining of metals over the course of its 95-year history since it was founded in 1919. The German location at Oberkirch currently employs over 1,500 staff members. The Group is globally represented with further sites in Canada, the Czech Republic, China, and Mexico and employs around 3,100 staff members around the world.

PWO is a partner to the global automotive industry for the development and production of innovative products in the divisions "Mechanical components for electrical and electronic applications", "Safety components for airbags, seats and steering" and "Components and systems for vehicle bodies and chassis".