

Rettig acquires **Hewing**

Rettig has signed a share purchase agreement with Uponor, the owner of Hewing GmbH, Ochtrup, Germany. As a consequence, Rettig will become 100% owner of Hewing, a producer of high quality PE-Xc pipes.

Hewing GmbH was founded in 1974 in Ochtrup, Germany, where it produces high quality PE-Xc pipes and multilayer pipes for surface heating, radiator connections and potable hot water systems. Since Uponor's acquisition of Hewing GmbH in 1988, an innovative quality improvement process has taken place.

In 2011, Hewing registered a turnover of around €50 million. The average number of employees is 230. Hewing is one of the leading manufacturers for PE-Xc pipes and MT-multilayer pipes and is also known for its state-of-the-art in-house laboratory and test facility centre.

All products are OEM products and produced for system suppliers such as Comap, Oventrop, Pipe Life and others. After integration into the group, Rettig ICC intends to keep the mainly independent structures of Hewing and plans to transfer its currently externally produced volumes for pipes to Hewing. Hewing, with its expertise and its experienced employees, fits perfectly into the future strategy of Rettig ICC. It will enable Rettig ICC to grow from a sole supplier of UFHsystems to an innovative producer, extending its offering for high quality UFH solution systems for all markets. ■

