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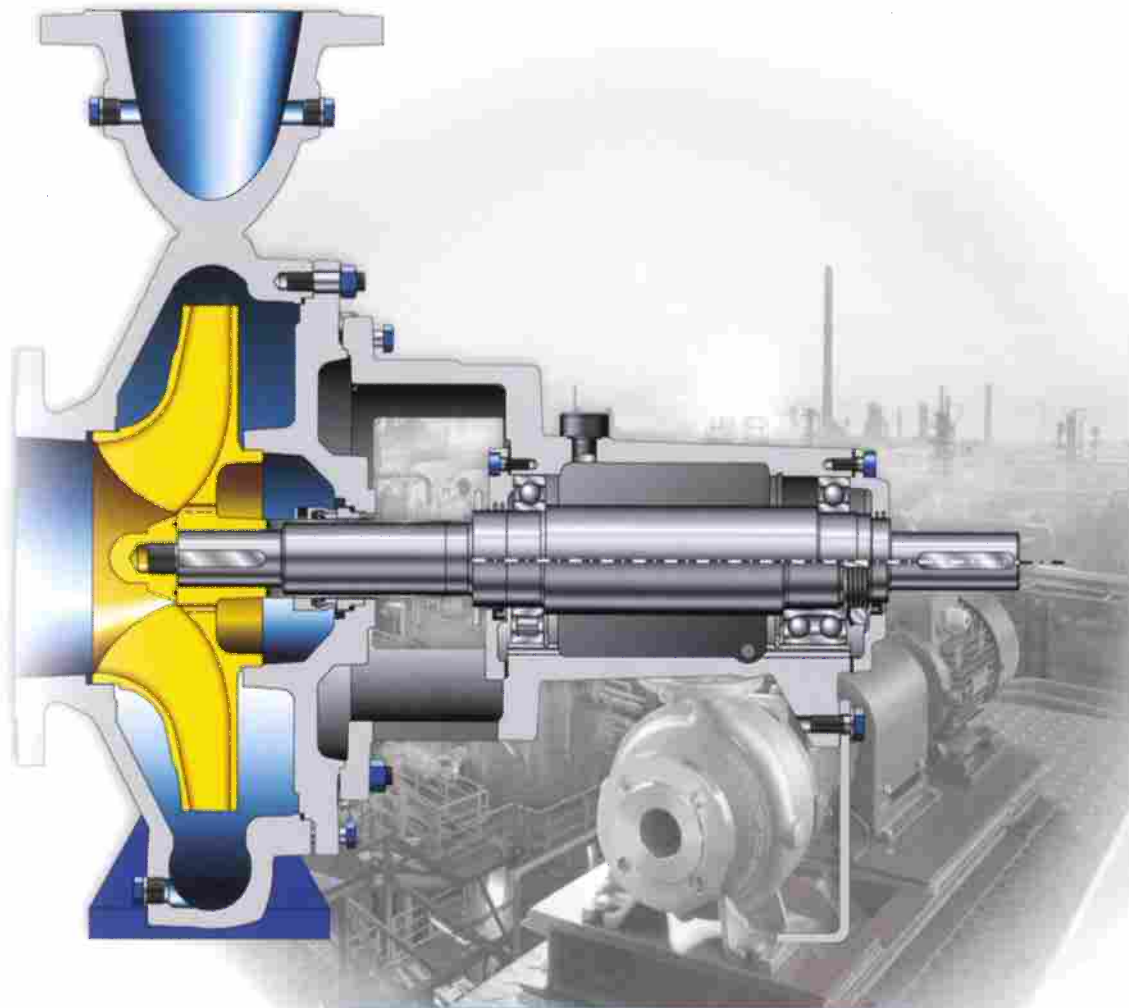
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# A Lean, Mean Combination



**Wilhelm Otten**

NAMUR Chairman and Head of Business Line Technology at Evonik Industries: "Our processes and our competitive advantages live primarily from the level of automation in our production installations."

## Facility Shutdown

# Dow Shuts Down Styrofoam Plants in Europe and South America



Picture: Dow

Dow styrofoam plant at Balatonfuzfo, Hungary

**MIDLAND, MICHIGAN/USA (DST)** – Dow has announced the implementation of cost reductions in line with a restructured product portfolio in reaction to economic uncertainties in Europe. These plans include the closing of several facilities in Europe, North- and Latin America, as well as cancelling a selection of capital projects and implementing workforce reductions. Dow will shut down three Styrofoam plants in Estarreja, Portugal; Balatonfuzfo, Hungary; and Charleston, Illinois; and idle a

plant in Terneuzen, The Netherlands. The company will also close its toluene diisocyanate (TDI) plant in Camaçari, Brazil. In addition to these closures, Dow will consolidate certain other assets in its Polyurethanes and Epoxy businesses, optimizing their operations while remaining focused on meeting customer needs and sourcing through non-impacted assets. These actions are expected to take place over the next two years. Around 900 jobs worldwide would be affected, speakers said.

## Particle Analysis

# Pamas Celebrates 20 Years in Particle Measurement

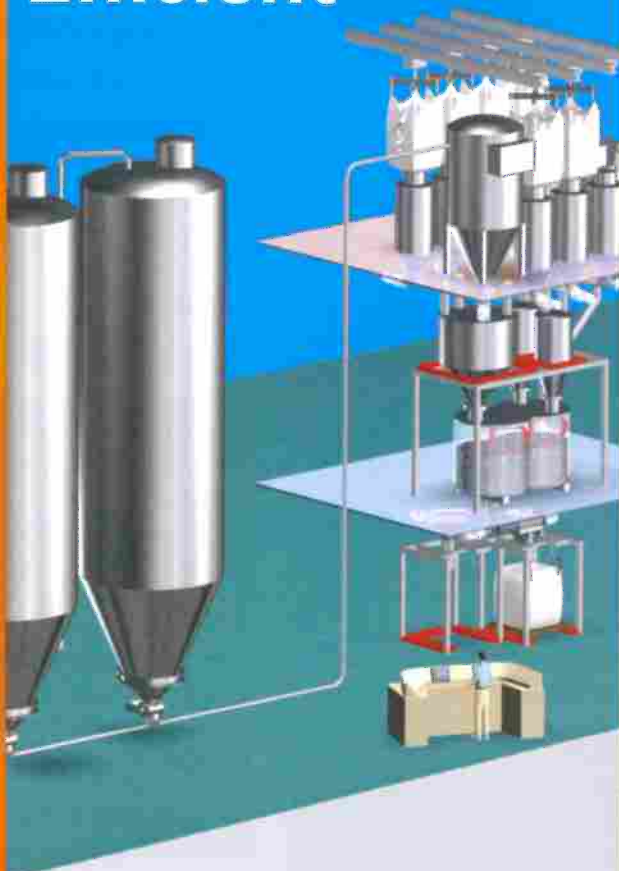
**RUTESHEIM/GERMANY (DST)** – German particle analysis solutions provider Pamas prepares for its 20th anniversary: On June 1st, the company looks back on 20 years in the development and manufacturing of liquid particle counters at currently nine company locations worldwide. Owner and managing director Gerhard Schreck believes two key factors are the reason behind the success of his company: the ongoing development and upgrades of

existing systems and the continuous exploration into new markets and trading areas. "Soon after establishment, we started to focus on development", Gerhard Schreck explains. "Over the course of the past two decades, we have evolved new developments rather than limit ourselves to technical capability. So we succeeded in exploring new markets where particle measuring technology had not been applied before."



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