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Tornos - Active on all fronts

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Continuing their strategy of market coverage, the Swiss manufacturer will be presenting several new machines at the EMO exhibition. Each machine targets different needs, including the production of both complex and more straightforward parts. Visitors will also have the chance to (re)discover products fully equipped for the production of parts for the automotive, medical and electronics sectors.

New products...

First, Tornos will be presenting the MultiAlpha 8x20 'Chucker' aimed at the production of more complex parts. This machine will enable operators to load billets or rough parts instead of bars and to carry out machining both in operation and counter operation mode. It should be noted that the solution on display will not be presenting a demonstration part but a customer solution. This new solution represents a compact alternative because it renders the traditional feeding system obsolete (bar feeder). The loading procedure depends on the specific parts to be produced.

Then, for the production of mid-complexity parts, Tornos will be unveiling two new machines, the Sigma 7 and the Sigma 32. These two products complete the current DECO Sigma range.

With their Sigma 7 which will be presented in virtual reality, Tornos will be unveiling a small machine equipped with traditional sliding headstock technology combined with a guide bush perfectly suited to machining long parts. Inspired by the DECO Sigma 8 and its extraordinary level of precision, Sigma 7 offers a level of precision of approximately 2 microns, the motorspindle with its successful track record on the Sigma 8, reduced floorspace and an attractive price tag for innovating technology.

The successful design of the Sigma 20 is found in the Sigma 32, which also provides larger capacities. The renowned ergonomics, modularity and power of the Sigma 20 are of course still present in the new machine.

...and tried and tested solutions

The Swiss manufacturer will also be exhibiting two other multispindle machines. One designed for the production of straightforward parts at very high speeds and the other for

complex parts requiring several machining operations, thereby demonstrating its ability to handle all types of parts. As far as single spindle machines are concerned, Tornos will also be exhibiting a DECO 13a and a DECO Sigma 8 producing a component for the dental sector. Numerous appliances and equipment will also be presented to demonstrate the considerable level of expertise at Tornos.

In addition to the medical sector, the stand will also present applications for the automotive, electronics and micro-mechanics sectors. On the subject of programming, Tornos will be highlighting the very high level of flexibility which comes with their systems: for 'straightforward' machines, i.e. the DECO Sigma range, the customer can select from traditional ISO and TB-DECO programming.

Partnership for enhanced productivity

Tornos is collaborating with several partners with the aim of optimising all cutting and lubrication parameters. During the EMO show, the Tornos 'competence center' will also be highlighting its partnerships which, more than anything else are aimed at improving the Swiss manufacturer's customer productivity levels.

Innovative methods

In order to enable their customers to discover their new machines, Tornos partners will show products on offer. Tornos will be using 'Virtual Deco' for the first time ever in Europe, a virtual reality presentation tool which has been a great success in the USA. This system enables customers to see for themselves how the machines are designed. It allows the customer to see inside the machine or to observe straightforward or complex machining processes.

Are you planning a visit to the EMO in Hannover?

Be sure to visit the Tornos stand (hall 17 – stand C18).

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