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Expansion: BKL has two new locations.

Knoll to become BKL: from 1 December, BKL crane solutions will be available at nine locations. The crane specialist offers an even wider range of crane and transport services throughout Germany.

Munich, 9 November 2023 – From 1 December, BKL Baukran Logistik GmbH will also have a presence in Nuremberg and Ansbach. With the takeover of Knoll GmbH & Co. KG, the crane specialist is continuing its successful growth course. On top of the usual mobile crane and transport services provided by Kran-Knoll, BKL's complete tower crane portfolio will also be available in the Nuremberg Metropolitan Region.

"Expanding our branch network is part of our stated growth strategy, with the aim of offering our customers added services, greater proximity and maximum availability along the north-south axis", says Alexander Volz, Chairman of the Advisory Board and owner of BKL, who goes on to explain, "We are delighted to have found in Kran-Knoll not just a first-class crane supplier for the Nuremberg region but, above all, a fantastic team that is an excellent fit for the BKL family."

BKL's bespoke turnkey package now also in Nuremberg and Ansbach.

From today, Knoll GmbH & Co. KG is part of the BKL Group, along with its entire fleet of machines. In addition to roughly 20 mobile cranes to rent, the locations offer heavy haulage, special transport and industrial assembly. As of 1 December, self-erecting and top-slewing cranes from 13 to 1050 tonne-metres will now also be available, along with the full range of BKL services from assembly, repairs and maintenance to the 24-hour emergency service for tower cranes.

Together with the entire workforce, the two Knoll-Kran branches will be transferred to BKL Centre/West and cooperate closely with neighbouring BKL locations. As before, customers can reach their personal contact by calling +49 9868 9880-0.

Focusing on corporate culture, the BKL family continues to grow.

Since Jürgen Volz laid the foundation for the today's BKL Baukran Logistik GmbH in 1969, the company has gone from strength to strength, currently generating a turnover in excess of 90 million euros. The latest expansion means that BKL now owns over 500 tower cranes as well as more than 300 mobile cranes, mobile construction cranes, trucks, loader cranes and low-loaders, with over 360 employees at nine locations.

Prior to the takeover of Knoll GmbH & Co. KG, the two family-owned companies had cooperated on various crane projects for several years. Alexander Volz, owner of BKL in its second generation, says, "It was important to both Hans-Peter Knoll and us at BKL that the two companies were a good match. We want the locations to continue to be successful and the teams to feel that they are part of the BKL family."

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Handing over:

Marlene and Hans-Peter Knoll (pictured right) hand Knoll GmbH & Co. KG symbolically over to Nicolette and Alexander Volz (on the left), the owner family of BKL Baukran Logistik GmbH.

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BKL Baukran Logistik GmbH specialises in crane rental, sales and service. With over 50 years of experience and soon more than 360 employees in Munich, Ingolstadt, Rosenheim, Frankfurt, Aschaffenburg, Hannover, Hildesheim and, in the near future, Nuremberg and Ansbach, the company is one of Europe's largest manufacturer-independent, full-service providers of crane solutions. From 1 December, BKL's crane fleet offers over 500 tower cranes with a radius from 22 to 90 metres, plus more than 130 all terrain mobile cranes from 30 up to 700 tonne giants and 25 mobile construction cranes with a radius of up to 65 metres. Moreover, BKL customers benefit from the bespoke turnkey package, certified according to DIN EN ISO 9001 and SCC^P, including planning, logistics and transportation, as well as the 24-hour emergency service. BKL's reference projects include the Allianz Arena, BMW Welt, the European Central Bank and Terminal 3 at Frankfurt Airport. For further information, please see <u>www.bkl.de</u>.

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