

German Parliamentary Group visited German companies at BioTaiwan 2013 in Taipei, Taiwan

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To promote the bilateral economic relations between Germany and Taiwan, especially in the area of new technologies, a German parliamentary group visited Taiwan during the week of 15th-19th July. The group was led by MP Ernst Hinsken - Chairman of the Committee on Economics and Technology of the German Bundestag (BT) and Deputy Chairman of the TWN Friends group in the BT. The further members of the group were MP Klaus Breil - energy policy spokesman of the FDP parliamentary group, MP Manfred Todtenhausen, MP Franz Obermeier, MP Peter Aumer and retired Council Administrator Ingo Weiß.

As part of the tour the last program point was an invitation to visit to the annual exhibition and conference BioTaiwan in Taipei. BioTaiwan annually attracts more than 50,000 visitors and 500 exhibiting companies, being the leading biotechnology trade fair and conference in the country with increasing international importance. On the BioTaiwan-visit schedule was first the warm welcoming reception and introduction by the President of Taiwan Bio and Chairman of the Development Center for Biotechnology, Dr. Johnsee Lee.

The following tour of the exhibition area gave an impression of the economic importance of the biotechnology industry in Taiwan. The parliamentary group first visited the booth of Hyglos GmbH. As a small German company, Hyglos has been highly successful in developing innovative methods for endotoxin (bacterial toxins) detection, which have a very large potential for quality control in the pharmaceutical industry. The Hyglos technology project was chosen as 2012 ZIM example of success by the German Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology. Now the company focuses on building a global distribution network, whereof Taiwan has a growing biotechnology and pharmaceutical market of great importance.

At the exhibition booth of the Merck Millipore, the Life Science division of the pharmaceutical and chemical company Merck KGaA in Darmstadt, the parliamentary group was welcomed by the local management and staff. Merck Millipore has invested in a local site and has a nation-wide sales force in the areas of Bioscience, Lab Water Lab Essentials and Process Solutions.

Next, the parliamentary group received a presentation by Dr Michael Strauss on the impressive level of LEWA GmbH (NIKKISO group). As a globally leading manufacturer of diaphragm metering and process diaphragm pumps as well as complete metering systems for process technology, LEWA provides customers with technical expertise based on 60 years of accumulated experience. The headquarters of the LEWA Group is located in Leonberg near Stuttgart.

The tour eventually led the parliamentary group to E2joy Corporation, established since over 10 years in Taiwan, a leading company in the distribution of sterile manufacturing facilities, sterilization equipment and sterile supplies for the pharmaceutical, bio-pharmaceutical and medical device industry. Founded and directed by German Andy Ladwig, the company with 30 employees emphasizes on sales backed with technical expertise and know-how. E2joy represents, among others, the German state-of-the-art manufacturers OPTIMA pharma GmbH, Wilhelm Werner GmbH and Ehret GmbH & Co.Kg Labor- Und Pharmatechnik.

As a result of visiting the BioTaiwan, the parliamentary group felt confirmed in the importance of bilateral economic talks with Taiwan and will continue to engage for the intensification of economic as well as trade cooperation.

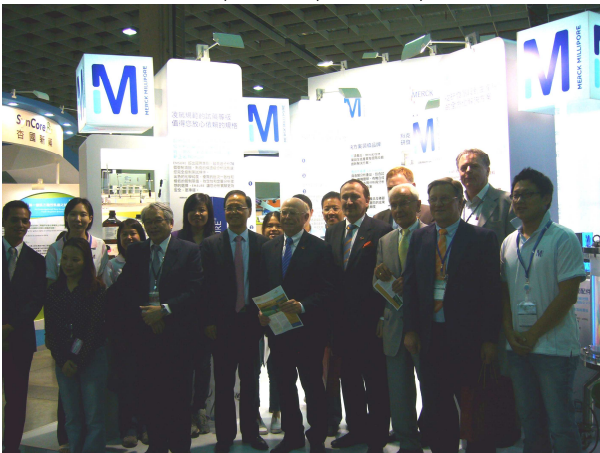
Photos of the German Parliamentary Group visiting BioTaiwan 2013:



Booth Hyglos GmbH, from left: Mr. Weiß, Dr Lee, MP Todtenhausen, MP Breil, Ms. Heed, Dr Mutter



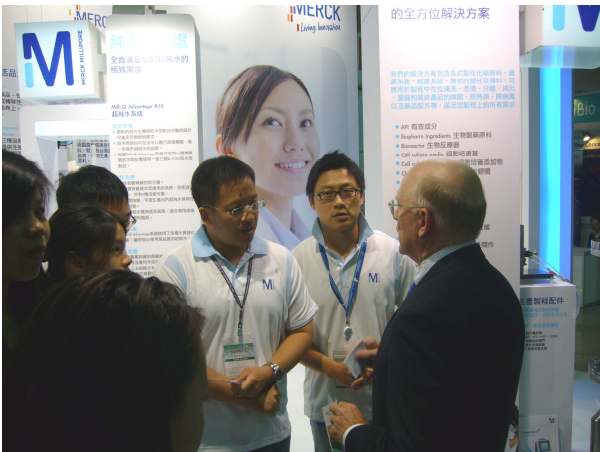
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