

## Corporate Profile Kiepe Electric

Knorr-Bremse subsidiary Kiepe Electric, based in Düsseldorf, Germany, is a globally active supplier of electrical systems to the leading rail vehicle and bus manufacturers. The company offers efficient solutions and ecologically sustainable concepts for low-emission public transportation with eco-friendly electrical equipment for light rail vehicles, metros, regional rail networks and special-purpose vehicles, as well as for battery, trolley and In Motion Charging (IMC®) buses. The company's workforce in Düsseldorf also takes care of vehicle modernization and offers maintenance and repair services.

Kiepe Electric was founded by Theodor Kiepe in 1906 as a workshop specializing in the repair of arc lamps. Then as now, the company was based in Düsseldorf. When World War II ended in 1945, Kiepe was relaunched with a focus on the manufacture of traction systems for buses and light rail vehicles. It established subsidiaries and rapidly developed into an important player in the industry.

Just recently, following its acquisition by Knorr-Bremse in 2017, the company was renamed: what had in the meantime become Vossloh Kiepe GmbH, now became Kiepe Electric GmbH. From a small workshop in North Rhine Westphalia, Kiepe Electric has today grown into a global player. At corporate headquarters in Düsseldorf and at six subsidiaries around the world, Kiepe Electric employs some 700 people. Annual sales for the group total approximately Euro 200 million. Every day, the company's employees invest their knowledge and skills in the development, design and manufacture of advanced, high quality products.

Kiepe Electric's success is based first and foremost on the competitiveness of its products and services. Highly motivated employees are, of course, an essential if customer requirements and expectations are to be met promptly and efficiently. The high quality and continuous improvement of the company's products and services rank among the most important corporate goals. When new products and processes are developed, particular attention is paid to their ecological impacts and sustainability, with preference being given to eco-friendly, durable and recyclable products.

As it masters these challenges, Kiepe Electric relies on certified management systems in the fields of quality, the environment, and industrial health and safety.

**Caption 1:** The inner workings of a light rail vehicle | © Kiepe Electric GmbH

**Caption 2:** A view of production operations | © Kiepe Electric GmbH

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