

Press release

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fischer Consulting successfully advises balcony producer, Bonda



More prospects, less waste

The innovative balcony producer Bonda, based in Wachstedt in Thuringia, produces 3000 balconies per year, exclusively in Germany. Using the consulting services provided by fischer Consulting, Bonda was able to increase its output by 25 percent. During the workshops and after a comprehensive analysis, fischer Consulting focused on collaborative partnership and the development of standardised, low-waste flow production.

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Steady growth and increasing customer needs prompted Bonda to take optimisation measures with professional support. After the informative value stream analysis conducted by fischer Consulting, the initial request for a performance indicator system extended to a comprehensive analysis and optimisation of the production process.

Flow production in the handicraft business: Is it possible?

Current state analyses were carried out in various areas of production. These revealed great potential in the area of material flow, in which search times and walking routes were then able to be optimised. The analyses yielded a clear result: Using flow production, the majority of production waste can be avoided in the future and therefore, work can be carried out far more efficiently.

But how could the principle of industrial mass production be applied to the handicraft industry? With the support of fischer

Consulting, the Bonda employees worked on a customised production concept based on lean principles. The layout of the machines was redesigned, line-balancing of the work content was established and prototypes for racks were planned and manufactured. Finally, production was reconstructed and at the end, comprehensive staff training took place, testing the new work processes. After the testing phase, the result was certain: The output quantity could be increased by 25 percent.

Best equipped with the fischer ProcessSystem

“The fischer Consulting team found a direct line to our employees. This enabled them to build up trust so that they could also implement the expert knowledge acquired,” says Managing Director Yvonne Bonda. With its optimised process structure, the “Made in Germany” company is now optimally equipped for the future.

fischer Consulting is part of the fischer group of companies, which also includes the fixing systems division, operating worldwide. The consulting company has supported companies in streamlining their processes since 2004. The consulting division applies the fischer ProcessSystem which has emerged; the principle of continuous improvement. Alongside the optimisation of production and administrative processes, their services include support in the implementation of Industry 4.0 and digitalisation projects.

Caption:

Image 1: With the support of fischer Consulting, the Bonda employees worked on a customised production concept based on the lean principle.

The fischer group of companies

The fischer group of companies, headquartered in Waldachtal in Germany's Northern Black Forest, generated sales of 812 million Euros in 2017 with a worldwide staff of 5,000 employees. The family-owned enterprise operates 46 of its companies in 34 countries and exports to more than 100 countries. It includes the five divisions: fischer fixing systems, fischer automotive systems, fischertechnik, fischer consulting and LNT Automation.

fischer fixing systems is the technological market leader in important areas of fixing technology. fischer offers products that deliver technical perfection to a wide range of customers, from do-it-yourselfers to craftsmen to key account partners.

fischer automotive systems manufactures high-quality parts for car interiors. The company is highly competent in the plastics processing segment and is an important partner for the automotive industry. fischer automotive systems produces air vents, cup holders, trays and multi-function components.

fischertechnik is active both in the construction kit and in the educational toy sector. As one of the last toy makers, fischertechnik develops and produces exclusively in Germany.

fischer consulting evolved from the competence and skills developed in the company itself, among these the fischer ProcessSystem with its central aim of permanent and continuous improvement for the ultimate benefit of the customer. fischer consulting advises small and medium-sized businesses, government agencies and major companies on their way towards lean and efficient processes.

LNT Automation develops and manufactures custom electronic solutions. The company also develops, produces and distributes custom and capacitive touch systems such as multi-touch solutions made of glass and the corresponding controller units. All electronics are manufactured in-house.

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