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Hundred million power tools from the Bosch plant in Miskolc

Quadrupled production in ten years

- Milestone for Miskolc plant: 100 millionth product in 2018
- Hundred millionth power tool was a PSR 14.4 LI-2 two-speed cordless drill/driver
- From design to final assembly everything is made in the Bosch power tool plant in Miskolc

Miskolc – The hundred millionth product has rolled off the production line of the Robert Bosch Power Tool Kft. plant in Miskolc, bringing Bosch's North Hungary plant to another milestone. The hundred millionth power tool was a two-speed cordless drill/driver, which from preliminary development through conceptual design right up to final assembly is the achievement of the professionals working in Miskolc. The event was attended by Péter Szijjártó, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and Ákos Kriza, Mayor of Miskolc.

The hundred millionth power tool was a PSR 14.4 LI-2 two-speed cordless drill/driver. Its lithium-ion technology guarantees that it is always ready for use, and it is easy to operate and ergonomic. Its 11-setting electronic torque selector is complemented with an extra drill setting. Only of these power tools more than a million have been made in Miskolc to date.

“To the fullest extent, it is our competence-based technological approach that has enabled us to reach the hundred million mark and quadruple our production capacity in ten years. We are proud of every associates in the Miskolc plant that has contributed to this success. The plant fully embraces the Bosch values of teamwork, dedication and unconditional commitment to quality, and our results confirm that we can solidly build the future on these values.”

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- said László Fűkő, General Manager of Robert Bosch Power Tool Kft., at the ceremony celebrating the hundred millionth product.

Robert Bosch Power Tool Elektromos Szerszámgyártó Kft. was founded in Miskolc in November 2001 and has become a definitive factor in the region as well as being Bosch's largest power tool plant worldwide. Now covering more than 38,000 square meters, the plant employs nearly 2400 associates. In May this year, Robert Bosch Power Tool Kft. of Miskolc received the Factory of the Year award in the overall contest for companies with income of more than 10 billion forints. The plant also came away with the "Best Management Processes award" and - in recognition of its development achievements - the "Industry 4.0 Special Award", presented for the first time this year. The plant has launched high-level dual training and has become the main employer in the region. It is a strategic partner of many small and medium-sized businesses. In addition, through advanced-level, future-looking projects, the plant is continuously pursuing a high level of innovation and helping the region to benefit from this development.

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Basic information:

Bosch has been present in Hungary since 1898 with its products. The company is this year celebrating the 100th anniversary of the opening of its first Hungarian operation. After its re-establishment as a regional trading company in 1991, Bosch has grown into one of Hungary's largest foreign industrial employers with currently nine Hungarian subsidiaries. In fiscal 2017 it had a total turnover of HUF 1304 billion and sales of the Bosch Group on the Hungarian market – not counting trade among its own companies – was HUF 244 billion. The Bosch Group in Hungary employs roughly 13,500 people (as per January 1, 2018). In addition to its manufacturing, commercial and development business, Bosch has a network of sales and service operations that covers the entire country.

The Bosch Group is a leading global supplier of technology and services. It employs roughly 402,000 associates worldwide (as of December 31, 2017). The company generated sales of 78.1 billion euros in 2017. Its operations are divided into four business sectors: Mobility Solutions, Industrial Technology, Consumer Goods, and Energy and Building Technology. As a leading IoT company, Bosch offers innovative solutions for smart homes, smart cities, connected mobility, and connected manufacturing. It uses its expertise in sensor technology, software, and services, as well as its own IoT cloud, to offer its customers connected, cross-domain solutions from a single source. The Bosch Group's strategic objective is to deliver innovations for a connected life. Bosch improves quality of life worldwide with products and services that are innovative and spark enthusiasm. In short, Bosch creates technology that is "Invented for life." The Bosch Group comprises Robert Bosch GmbH and its roughly 440 subsidiary and regional companies in 60 countries. Including sales and service partners, Bosch's global manufacturing, engineering, and sales network covers nearly every country in the world. The basis for the company's future growth is its innovative strength. At 125 locations across the globe, Bosch employs some 64,500 associates in research and development.

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