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Independence Day: Wilo CEO Oliver Hermes meets U.S. Consul General Pauline Kao

Discussion on the importance of transatlantic relations in Düsseldorf

Düsseldorf – As part of the celebrations to mark the 248th Independence Day of the United States of America, Oliver Hermes, President & CEO of the Wilo Group, and US Consul General Pauline Kao met for discussions at the racecourse in Düsseldorf. The event on the occasion of what is probably the United States' most important national holiday marks one of the highlights of the current NRW-USA year. Under the motto "A perfect match", players from politics and business have been drawing attention to the importance of strong transatlantic relations since June 2023.

"In times of unbridled protectionism, politics and business are under particular pressure. Multilateral structures and processes are and remain essential for efficient and sensible economic and social action around the world", explains Hermes. "The Wilo Group maintains strong transatlantic relations and will step these up in the future. The Independence Day event and the NRW-USA year as a whole are good opportunities to celebrate and strengthen these relationships."

The Wilo Group is currently also demonstrating its commitment to these transatlantic relations in Aachen: the multinational technology group is a sponsor of CHIO Aachen, the World Equestrian Festival.

Wilo has been active in the North American market for more than 20 years. In 2022, the regional headquarters in Cedarburg, Wisconsin, was inaugurated, where Wilo USA's activities are concentrated. Other sites include Collierville, Tennessee, and Sandfort, Florida. With around 500 employees and recent sales growth of 20 per cent, Wilo has long exemplified best practice in the German-American business community.

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Image caption: Pauline Kao, U.S. Consul General for North Rhine-Westphalia at the U.S. Consulate General in Düsseldorf, met with Oliver Hermes, President & CEO of the Wilo Group, as part of the U.S. Independence Day celebrations in Düsseldorf. Image: WILO SE

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