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SIG OPENS STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITY

## **NEW SIG TECH CENTRE EXPEDITES NEW PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT FOR FOOD AND BEVERAGE MANUFACTURERS IN ASIA-PACIFIC**

SIG has opened a new Tech Centre, close to its packaging plant in Suzhou in China, which will bring a new dimension in supporting customers with the development and implementation of new product concepts and market-ready packaging solutions.

In the 17,500 square meter building, a team of SIG experts will develop and manufacture filling technology, conduct filling tests for customers and offer training. By focusing on product innovation and differentiation, the new Tech Centre fits in perfectly with SIG's Value Proposition, which aims to create added value for customers and consumers alike.

SIG's Tech Centre accommodates a state-of-the-art test and training centre, with the latest filling machines, upstream food processing equipment and UHT systems, which can process products with a wide range of viscosities and pieces. SIG will work closely with customers and offer professional support on aseptic filling tests and product concepts. The Training Centre is the second largest worldwide for SIG and is suited to both internal and external technical training on aseptic filling machines and downstream lines. The Tech Centre also hosts SIG's Asian filler and applicator assembly operation and two Global Technology departments: Research & Development and Engineering & Application.

SIG's Tech Centre has the highest standard as a green building and SIG is only the ninth industrial company with onsite manufacturing in China to earn the LEED Platinum standard with a total of 83 points – the second highest score in the entire country.

*Rolf Stangl, CEO at SIG: "Asia is a vital market for SIG and our new Tech Centre will ensure our customers can realize opportunities much faster, working with our expert team to choose the right product and packaging concept to meet consumer demand and grow their business. At our new Tech Centre, we can expedite packaging solution development for our customers and carry out test fillings on a weekly basis, to ensure products are launched to market more quickly than ever before. Providing the best technical expertise will deliver end to end solutions in a timely manner required to gain competitive advantage."*

### **About SIG**

SIG is a leading systems and solutions provider for aseptic packaging. We work in partnership with our customers to bring food products to consumers around the world in a safe, sustainable and affordable way. Our unique technology and outstanding innovation capacity enable us to provide our customers with end-to-end solutions for differentiated products, smarter factories and connected packs, all to address the ever-changing needs of consumers.

Founded in 1853, SIG is headquartered in Neuhausen, Switzerland. The skills and experience of our 5,000-plus employees worldwide enable us to respond quickly and effectively to the needs of our customers in more than 60 countries. In 2017, SIG produced 33.6 billion carton packs and generated €1.66 billion in revenue. For more information, visit [www.sig.biz](http://www.sig.biz).

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**PICTURE CAPTION:**

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