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Connections for life – GF Piping Systems at IFAT 2022 in Munich, Germany

IFAT is the world's leading trade fair for water, sewage, waste, and raw materials management. As the leading flow solutions provider, GF Piping Systems will present innovations for the utility and industrial sectors between 30 May and 3 June 2022.

Social megatrends such as climate change or digitalization have already reached the water sector and represent a tough challenge for companies involved. What does a sustainable and connected future entail? Under the motto "Connections for Life," the GF Piping Systems exhibition at IFAT 2022 will introduce innovative solutions that make piping systems more efficient, sustainable, and digital.

Utilities will be one of the focus areas. As an expert in flow solutions made of plastic, GF Piping Systems has been striving to help its customers solve water loss and infrastructure problems. With its latest innovation, the NeoFlow pressure regulating valve, utility customers will benefit from its intelligent balancing and precise and optimized pressure management. Another highlight, the ELGEF Y-Tapping Saddle, introduces a pioneering design that helps to improve flow characteristics, while the tool-free assembly and a patented electrofusion heating element simplify the installation process.

Furthermore, with IR PVC-U, GF Piping Systems will introduce the world's first infrared welded PVC-U piping system allowing reliable joints in a machine-controlled process. A groundbreaking solution for the chemical processing industry and water treatment applications.

Process automation will also play an important role at IFAT. Industrial companies rely on sustainable and modern solutions to prepare for the future. GF Piping Systems will also present the Ball Valve 543 Pro, which, when connected with a newly developed pneumatic actuator, provides process automation technology that is completely manufactured from plastic - benefiting its customers with a maintenance-free and long lifespan like the piping system. The Ball Valve is suitable for a wide spectrum of applications and requirements.

Additionally, GF Piping Systems will showcase its leading specialized solutions. High-tech industries, in particular, need solutions that are sustainable and fulfill very specific requirements. In this context, the company will demonstrate ultrasonic non-destructive testing for pipe connections and introduce virtual reality training methods that help customers achieve the best possible quality and operational safety.

Ingo Pfirrmann, Head of the Business Unit Utilities at GF Piping Systems in Germany, is excited ahead of IFAT 2022: "For many years, we have been using plastic as a sustainable, cost-effective, and highly efficient

material for our flow solutions. At IFAT, we want to highlight how our latest innovations and piping systems can future-proof our customers' installations thanks to modern materials, innovative technologies, and connected products. Whether used for water supply, industrial systems or production processes."

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GF Piping Systems

As the leading flow solutions provider for the safe and sustainable transport of fluids, GF Piping Systems creates connections for life. The division focuses on industry-leading leak-free piping solutions for numerous demanding end-market segments. Its strong focus on customer-centricity and innovation is reflected by its global sales, service, and manufacturing footprint and its award-winning portfolio, including fittings, valves, pipes, automation, fabrication, and jointing technologies.

GF Piping Systems has its own sales companies in 31 countries, which means it is always by its customers' side. Production sites in 36 locations in America, Europe, and Asia ensure sufficient availability and quick, reliable delivery. In 2021, GF Piping Systems generated sales of CHF 1'971 million and employed 7'686 people. GF Piping Systems is a division of Georg Fischer AG, founded in 1802 and headquartered in Schaffhausen, Switzerland.

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