

# Company History of Dipl. Ing. Werner Graf AG

**1939** Werner Graf founds the „Dipl. Ing. Werner Graf,, belt manu-facturing company as a sole proprietorship in Zürich

1945 Anton Graf, brother of Werner Graf, purchases real estate on Buechenstrasse in Staad. The property, a former bell foundry (1874-1940), housed a paint and dye factory from 1940-1953



**Mr. Werner Graf**  
Founder  
1939 - 1977

**1952** Registration of the trademark HEVALOID®

1953 Werner Graf purchases the property in Staad from his brother

1962 Construction of the western annexe, a production area for fabricating rubber coating and SOLUTUS belts.

1963 Construction of the „Durisol,, workshop for rubber compounding (later used as a grinding department)

1970 Construction of the eastern annexe comprising a production hall for weaving mills and office floor

1977 Death of Werner Graf, the company's founder

**1978** Company reformed as a limited company „Dipl. Ing. Werner Graf AG,, and acquired by co. Leder & CO. AG (today Ammeraal Beltech AG)

1979 Appointment of Mr. Heinrich Sieber as Managing Director

1988 Sale of the company and transition to independence

1992 Installation of an environmentally-friendly steam boiler

1995 Installation of the long-desired goods and passenger lift



**Markenregistrierung HEVALOID®**



**Mr. Heinrich Sieber**  
Managing Director  
1979 - 2000

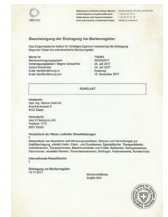
- 1999 Reconstruction of the vulcanisation building
- 2000 Heinrich Sieber retires. Edgar Seiz appointed new Managing Director

**2005 Construction of new eastern annexe (two-floors) for grinding/processing and weaving mills**



**Mr. Edgar Seiz**  
Managing Director  
since 2000

- 2008 Installation of a sophisticated ventilation plant with process heat recovery
- 2011 Opening of new cafeteria/classroom
- 2013 25 years „Independency Graf“
- 2014 75 years company anniversary



**Markenregistrierung  
RONDLAST®**

**2017 Trademark RONDLAST® high-performance round belts**

- 2020 Apprenticeship for a Mediamatician started and investment in a photovoltaic system as well as an electric car
- 2021 New marketing presence with refreshed company logo
- 2022 Installation of a geothermal heat pump for heating the entire building
- 2023 Doubling of the photovoltaic system
- 2024 85th year of operation of Dipl. Ing. Werner Graf AG

