



OBITUARY

to our senior boss and managing director, Graduate Engineer Klaus Orio, who passed away on 02.02.2022 at the age of 80.

On 01.01.1988 Klaus Orio was hired in the company DIATEST as export manager with the aim to develop exports in the company. His education and many years of experience abroad helped him to start in the company. This was followed by a six-weeks product training at our sales agency in England. Well trained and with a lot of energy, the export department had to be set up. The new position required many trips abroad and was the beginning of a successful relationship with sales representations in more than 50 countries of the world and an export share of 60 % in the meantime.

In addition to DIATEST-USA and DIATEST U.K., agencies already established, DIATEST France, DIATEST Japan, DIATEST Sweden, DIATEST do Brasil, DIATEST Come , DIATEST China, DIATEST Distribution Germany and DIATEST Schober were set up. Klaus Orio contributed with his negotiating skills to the success of all these company foundations and participations. His strength was to turn partnerships into friendships. His greatness consisted in building bridges and helping others.

Due to his successful development of a worldwide dealer network, Mr. Orio was appointed Managing Director on 01.07.1992.

In 1998, the 50th anniversary of the company was celebrated by inviting all representations worldwide. In this context, the great organisational talent of Klaus Orio for hosting this celebration became apparent.

Due to the growing export share, further production space was needed. In 1996, a unique opportunity was seized and the neighboring property with 400 sqm of production area was acquired. A record followed in 2006 with the sale of ¼ million bore gauges.

The company's 60th anniversary was celebrated in 2008 and all representations worldwide were invited. Klaus Orio has always enjoyed celebrating with the big DIATEST-family.

From the beginning Klaus Orio attached great importance to modern machinery including the latest computer-controlled machines. His idea to build fixtures was implemented too. As a result, complete solutions can be successfully offered.

Due to the positive business development, further production space was required again. After the new office building was completed and occupied in 2016, 2000 sqm of production and office space were added. The product range was constantly expanded.

Klaus Orio as senior boss has understood to bring social responsibility, economic necessity and humanity in harmony in the company. The employees lose with him a personality to whom they owe a lot.


The company DIATEST operates now in over 50 countries of the world with its representations and trained dealers who guarantee a local support to customers. Based on his untiring personal commitment, his great vision and determination, Klaus Orio developed the company DIATEST into a leading company of measurement technology and set signs for the future. The expansion of exports was a matter close to his heart.

Klaus Orio was an entrepreneur with heart and passion. The company was the focus of all his work and creativity and his purpose in life for 34 years. Quality, delivery reliability and fair partnerships were his goals. His life was full of enthusiasm for the big DIATEST-family he could spend so many happy hours with. We will always remember his commitment and unwavering optimism.

His entrepreneurial legacy lives on in our company.

We warmly thank Klaus Orio for his successful work and will always cherish his memory.

DIATEST
Hermann Költgen GmbH

Two handwritten signatures in black ink, one appearing to be 'J. Or' and the other 'F. Orio'.

Management and staff