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70 years. Industrie 4.0 ▶ —

2017

# Seven decades of experience in the technology sector

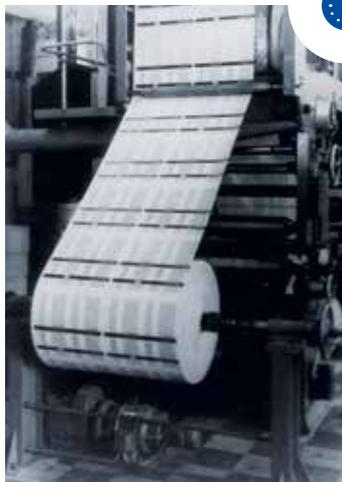
As a family-owned business, Lenze has evolved over a period of 70 years from a local trading company to a global provider of drive and automation technologies

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On 5 November, Hans Lenze takes over Stahlkontor GmbH in Hameln – the origin of today's Lenze SE – from the Mannesmann Group.



1950



The Hans Lenze KG machine company is founded in Extertal.

The Alquist winder, an innovative three-phase AC motor, becomes Lenze's first own product, marking the company's entry into winding technology.

1957



Expansion of production, with a new plant being built in Groß Berkel.

1977



Drive-based automation starts with yet another innovation. Thanks to its integrated technology and control functionality, the 9300 servo inverter is able to carry out complete processes or process parts.



The acquisition of US drive technology manufacturer AC Tech marks the establishment of Lenze's first production and logistics site outside Germany.



1962

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2004



Using the slogan "Drive meets Automation", Lenze positions itself with intelligent drive technology as a provider of integrated automation solutions.



Lenze founds software company encoway in Bremen and starts developing configuration software.



The first frequency inverter for controlling three-phase AC motors is launched.

L-force, an integrated platform for drive and automation technology, is introduced.





Lenze Drive Systems in Shanghai is founded.



The new FAST software components make developing modular machine controls easy.



The first manufacturing site in India is opened. Lenze now maintains ten international production and logistics sites and a global sales network.



With our strategy 2020+ we set the cornerstones to continue our growth path – focussing on our fields of competence: mechatronics, systems and digital.

2007

2009

2011

2012

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2017



Reflecting its stronger international focus, Lenze AG is converted into an SE.

The company's first "smart" product is unveiled at HANNOVER MESSE. The Lenze Smart Motor can be integrated easily and quickly into horizontal materials-handling technology. Customers benefit from a drive solution that has been tried and tested a thousand times over.



Lenze acquires a majority stake in cloud and IoT service provider logicline, thus enhancing encoway's solution expertise in cloud and mobile environments.



# Lenze

As easy as that.

Lenze simplifies motion engineering – from the mechanical engineer's initial idea to aftersales, and from control system to drive shaft. The claim is: "As easy as that."