

## ART AND CULTURE

### Würth Prize of Jeunesses Musicales Deutschland

The Austrian musician Martin Grubinger was awarded the Würth Prize of Jeunesses Musicales Deutschland which is endowed with prize money of 10,000 Euros. The multi-percussionist moves ingeniously between styles and cultures thereby making a very special contribution to the international classical cultural life.



Numerous visitors tour the Museum Würth on the open day at Adolf Würth GmbH & Co. KG.

### Kunsthalle Würth, Schwäbisch Hall

More than 40,000 drawings, poster drafts, collages, lithographs, woodcuts, and objects, as well as 140 books for children and adults form the huge oeuvre of Tomi Ungerer. This artist is considered one of the most important illustrators, authors of children's books, draughtsmen and commercial artists of our time. Numerous as yet unpublished drawings and illustrations as well as new satirical-surreal collages, objects and assemblages can be viewed for the first time in the exhibition "Tomi Ungerer EKLIPS - News for your eyes from 1960 to 2010".

On the occasion of the 75th birthday of Christo and in memory of his artistic companion Jeanne-Claude, a small exhibition honors the work of these two exceptional artists.

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### Associated galleries of the Würth Group

Princess Märtha Louise of Norway opened an exhibition at Galleri Würth Nittedal in February 2010, which focuses on artwork of people with disabilities under the title "Noses smell tulips". The exhibition "The Collector's Eye" is on display at the moment at Museo Würth La Rioja in Spain: The exhibition focusing on the field of tension of modern art, which was on display at Museum Würth in Künzelsau last year, combines priceless new acquisitions of the Würth Collection that have been added over the past four years "from Kirchner and Schlemmer to Kiefer."



"The Collector's Eye" in Museo Würth La Rioja in Spain also attracted the interest of many visitors.

With its exhibition "Paris-Karlsruhe-Berlin: Vents d'est et d'ouest", Musée Würth France Erstein focuses on the State Academy of Fine Arts Karlsruhe documenting the exciting past and present relations between this institution and the metropolises Paris and Berlin through displays of selected outstanding artists.

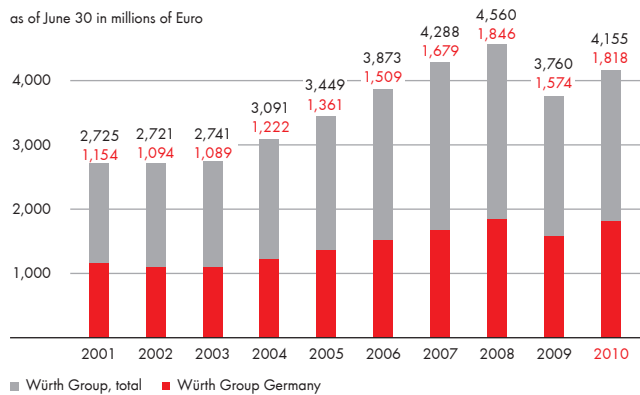
# FACTS AND FIGURES

## Würth Group 2010

## BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT IN THE 1<sup>ST</sup> HALF OF 2010

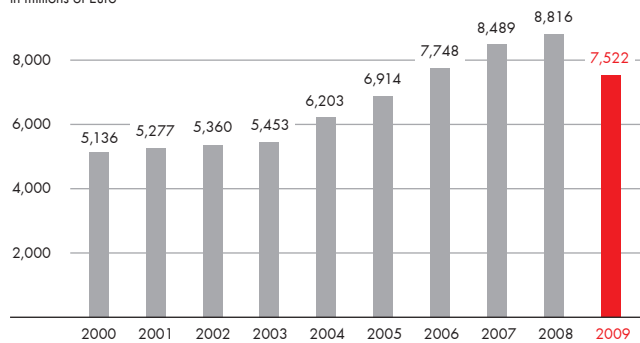
### Sales 1st half

as of June 30 in millions of Euro



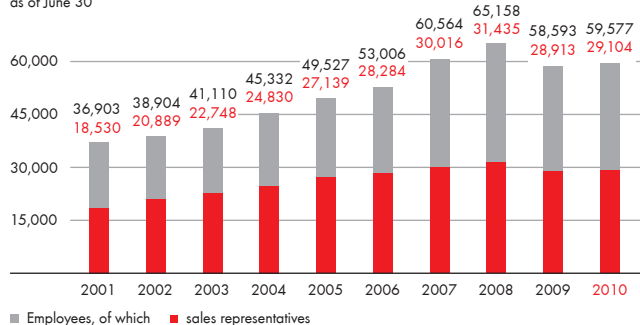
### Annual Sales until 2009

in millions of Euro



### Employees 1st half

as of June 30



**The Würth Group**, global market leader in assembly and fastening material trade, managed to finish the first half of 2010 with overall sales totaling EUR 4.2 billion. This corresponds to a sales increase of 10.5 percent compared with the same period of the previous year. The German Würth companies also managed to increase overall sales, compared to the first half of 2009, by the double-digit percentage of 15.5 percent to EUR 1.8 billion. The companies outside of Germany grew by 6.9 percent. At present, the Würth Group has a network of about 400 companies in 84 countries.

**The operating result** in the first half of 2010 has almost been doubled to EUR 196 million in comparison to the previous year (EUR 102 million). The Group strives to achieve an annual operating result of more than EUR 350 million.

**The number of Würth employees** increased by 2.9 percent to a total of 59,577 in the first half of 2010 compared to the end of 2009. The Würth companies outside Germany have 42,927 employees on their payroll; the German companies account for 16,650 employees.

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**Sound liquidity** and an equity ratio of over 40 percent are a distinguishing feature of the Würth Group. The international rating agency Standard & Poor's again confirmed the robust financial situation of the Group with an A rating and upgraded the outlook from "negative" to "stable".

## THE CORPORATE GROUP

**The building-up of the Würth Group** is the life's work of Prof. Dr. h. c. mult. Reinhold Würth who celebrated his 60th year of service to the Würth company in 2009. The Chairman of the Supervisory Board of the Würth Group's Family Trusts looks back on an outstanding career: He managed to turn the two-man wholesale screw business that had been founded by his father in 1945 into the globally operating Würth Group.

In April 2010, Adolf Würth GmbH & Co. KG celebrated its 65th anniversary and Professor Dr. h. c. mult. Reinhold Würth his 75th birthday.

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