

FROM PIONEER TO A WELL-KNOWN NAME IN THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

The story of weba is marked by a passion for technology and a pursuit of excellence, starting from its founding in 1982 to its current leading role in hot forming.

1982

The story of weba unfolded from the shared vision of three tech-savvy friends in Dietach. In 1982, filled with enthusiasm and a spirit of innovation, they decided to turn their passion into action and founded weba Toolmaking in Dietach/Steyr.

In its early days, weba specialized in the production of **mold and injection tools**, as well as the manufacture of **simple metal forming tools**.



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1987

In 1987, weba made a pivotal decision: to strategically focus on a profitable niche within the automotive industry. The company deliberately reduced its mold-making operations to concentrate resources and expertise on the production of **complex and large-scale forming tools** essential for structural components of vehicle bodies.

This wise niche strategy laid a solid foundation for the lasting success of the Upper Austrian company in the global automotive industry by aligning innovation with market needs.

1990

During its early years, weba experienced continuous and robust growth, reflected in a remarkable increase in revenues and an expansion of the workforce.

This period of flourishing success culminated in 1990 with a significant milestone: the **establishment** of the **subsidiary weba Olomouc**.



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1994

With the establishment of its second production site, weba Werkzeugbau initiated a crucial phase: building expertise in **hot forming technology**.

As early as 1994, the company began developing its first hot forming tools. This step would prove to be essential for the future growth and development of the company.

1999

In response to its growing success and increasing number of employees, the company built a completely new and **larger production facility** in Olomouc, covering an area of 2,900 square meters.



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2001

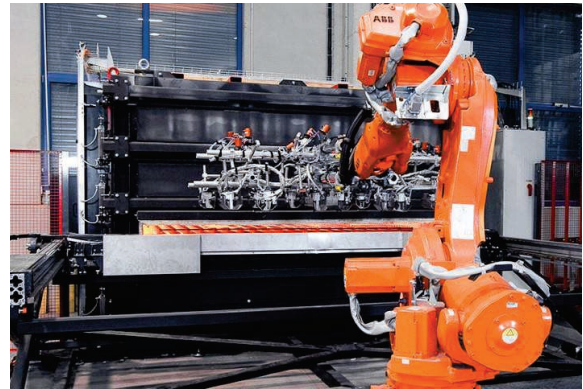
In 2001, driven by dynamic growth and an increasing need for skilled professionals, the company took significant steps to **expand its capacities**.

This included the construction of a modern production hall and a contemporary administrative building **in Dietach** to accommodate the rising demand and the growing team.

2011

The investment in a 1,200-ton press, equipped with chamber furnaces and robots, marked a significant advancement in the **automation of the hot forming process**.

This step was crucial to ensure a production flow close to the series process and simultaneously contributed to achieving a more efficient and flexible production method.



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2018

The **expansion of the site in Olomouc** to over 13,000 square meters, combined with extensive modernization of the machinery at both locations and the commissioning of an additional, advanced, **automated hot forming line with a roller hearth furnace**, marked a significant milestone.

Besides consolidating its leadership position in hot forming technology, this development also enabled the company to enter into **small-scale and pre-series production**, representing a further strategic expansion of its range of services.

2019

With the introduction of **SmartTools** and advanced **process monitoring**, weba Werkzeugbau is setting innovative standards in the **digitalization of the hot forming process**. These technological advancements enable more precise and efficient serial production, while simultaneously significantly reducing scrap, thus contributing to an increase in production quality.



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To be able to also offer the **joining technology** and provide customers with customized solutions up to complete welded assemblies, weba acquired **Gatzsch Welding Technology GmbH** in Attendorf.

Gatzsch manufactures high-quality joining systems, special welding machines, tools, and fixtures, as well as complex robotic welding systems that can be integrated safely, economically, and flexibly into any production line.

Today

Today, weba is one of the leading experts in the development and manufacturing of advanced tool technologies, particularly distinguished by their expertise in processing **high-strength and ultra-high-strength steels**. The company offers a comprehensive service that spans from component development to the manufacturing of press tools, parts production, and process optimization, with a focus on **press hardening**.

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