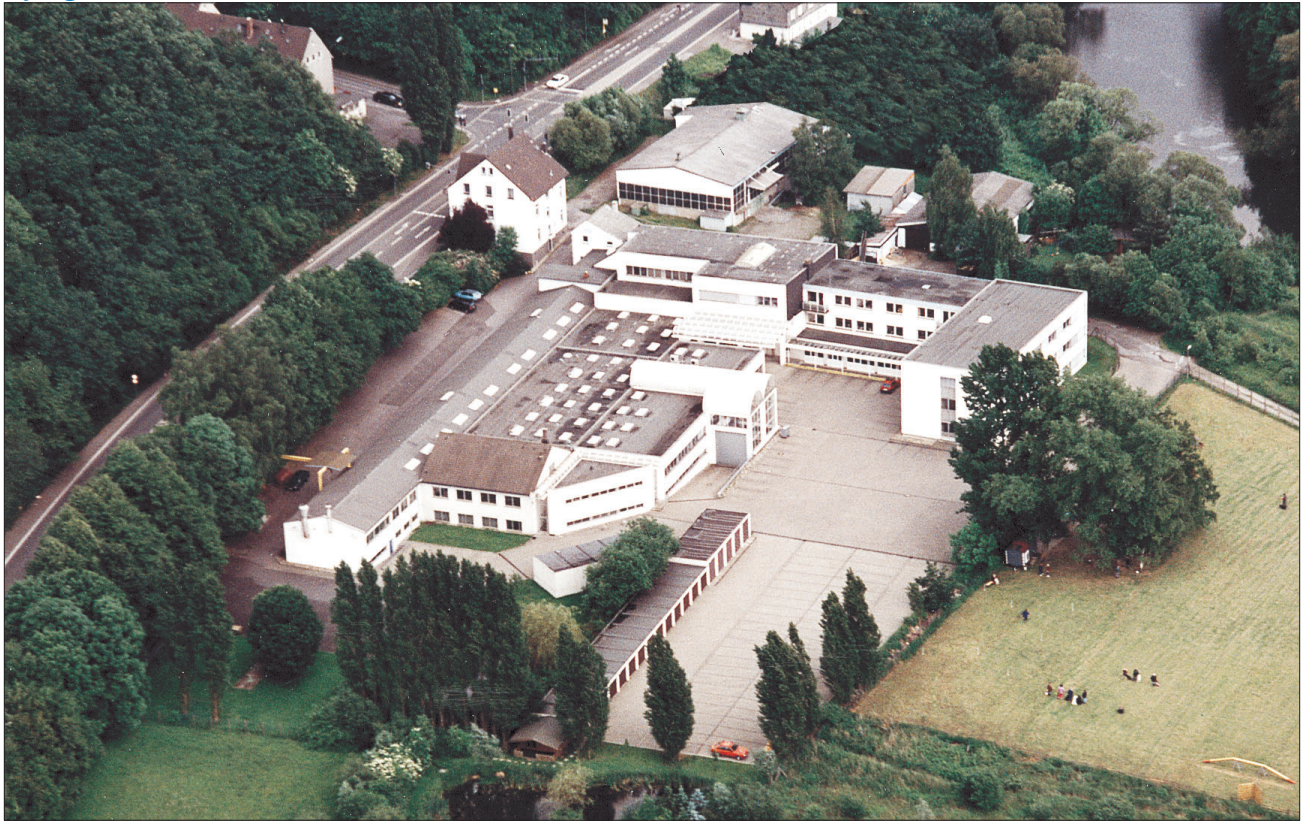


Company History



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Global Player For Over 30 Years

Already in 1965, when the Vollmer company was established, it was obvious, that the company could not exist by concentrating on the national market. World wide activities were the only chance for the company to be successful on a long-term basis.

The location Hagen however, the heart of the European cold rolling industry, proved to be well-chosen. Only a few years later nearly all mills in that area as well as in the nearby "Ruhrgebiet" were using Vollmer VBM 1063 gauges, of which several thousands are operating worldwide still today. In quick succession subsidiary companies were opened in most European neighbour countries, in the USA and not much later in Japan.

In 1985 Vollmer-Shanghai was launched, being the largest Asian Vollmer subsidiary. The Shanghai branch covers the promising Chinese market, run by a staff of qualified Chinese service engineers and keeping in stock a large inventory of spare parts. A worldwide network of representatives and service facilities ensure that all Vollmer customers receive professional technical support quickly.

Today there are about 190 people working for the company. The parent company in Berchum employs 100 people, the others work in the national and international branches. Additionally, there are 20 independent international representatives.

The Vollmer company is engineering and producing gauges and automatic controls for hot and cold rolling mills and many other kinds of metal processing. We make also many types of gauges for the plastic, rubber, textile and paper industry. For more than 15 years our software department has been designing special PC-software for measurement control and data visualization/evaluation.