Milestones

Foundation: June 15, 1991 - Former “DAS Dünnschicht-Anlagen-Systeme GmbH” enters the Commercial Registry and establishes its Dresden headquarters on the former ELEKTROMAT company grounds near Dresden airport.

First Milestone: Installation of ESCAPE Technology and product qualification at Siemens, Munich and Regensburg, resulting in the first commercial success with the first large scale order from Siemens for their newly founded microchip manufacturing fab in Dresden, Germany (1995).

Second Milestone: First appearance in Asia (Taiwan); made possible through excellent references from Siemens and the local business partner SPIROX (1996); Installation of the first tool (1997).

Third Milestone: Financial consolidation through shareholder investments from a Venture Capital group of the Deutsche Bank (1997).

Fourth Milestone: Signing the license of the ESCAPE technology to Mitsubishi Kakoki Kaisha in Kawasaki (MKK) and signing of contracts during SEMICON in Tokyo, December 5, 2000.

Fifth Milestone: Foundation of DAS presences in Hong Kong/China (2002) and Kuching/Malaysia (2003).

Sixth Milestone: Venture Capital Group of Deutsche Bank dissolves and MKK becomes registered DAS shareholder (2004).

Seventh Milestone: DAS sells ESCAPE license to Korean partner company GST. Company founder Dr. Reichardt receives the European SEMI Award for being a “Pioneer in Waste Gas Abatement Technology” (2005).

Eighth Milestone:
Diversification through acquisition and integration of an innovative biotechnology for treatment of organically loaded wastewaters from industry, municipality and private households (2006). New markets open also for waste gas equipment. The solar industry is growing notably.

Ninth Milestone: DAS continues to grow. China branch joins DAS family and opens its office in Shanghai with René Reichardt as branch manager DAS China in 2007. The company leaves the “Technologiezentrum Süd” (Technology Center South), moves into newly acquired facilities at Goppelner Straße 44 and changes its name to “DAS Environmental Expert GmbH”, Dresden (2008).

Tenth Milestone: DAS Environmental Expert GmbH repurchases all shares from MKK and sells its first biological wastewater treatment system to dairy company “Conaprole” in Uruguay. Introduction and implementation of a quality management system at DAS HQ in Dresden, certified to ISO 9001 (2009).

Eleventh Milestone: Foundation of DAS Environmental Expert branch in Vietnam and installation of a turnkey waste water treatment system for French client “BEL” in Vietnam. Installation of first municipal waste water treatment system in Germany (2010/2011).

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Twelfth Milestone: Global market launch of STYRAX (burn/wet) as the first DAS tool ready for 450 mm. With the launch of SALIX (wet) DAS offers the first system for point-of-use waste gas treatment from wet bench applications of semiconductor manufacturing worldwide. DAS Taiwan is growing and moved to a larger office. DAS Experto Ambiental S.R.L. is founded in Argentina (2013).

Thirteenth Milestone: Successful market expansion to America; Foundation of DAS Environmental Expert USA Inc. based in San Jose and opening of the Service & Innovation Center in Boise. At the same time, the company establishes its own branch in Singapore. Introduction and implementation of an environmental management system at DAS HQ in Dresden, certified to ISO 14001 (2014).

Fourteenth Milestone: The DAS group reaches a turnover of EUR 50 million. Expansion investment in Dresden to increase the production and office facilities. Recertification according to ISO 9001 (2015).

Fifteenth Milestone: Foundation of a branch office in Peru. 25-year company anniversary; René Reichardt is flat managing partner of DAS EE alongside his father Dr. Horst Reichardt (2016).

Sixteenth Milestone: 20th anniversary of DAS Taiwan; Opening of the Service & Innovation Center in Hsinchu, Taiwan (2017)

Seventeenth Milestone: Highest Turnover Year; Setting up the new Vision 2040; Foundation of DAS Korea (2018)

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