



With particular pleasure we would like to inform you that

The firm **Rex Articoli Tecnici SA** is been integrated with immediate effect into the French group **Borflex**, an important manufacturer of technical items in rubber, thermoplastics and composites.

Therefore, the group becomes an important player in the rubber industry in Europe and will count on a workforce of more than 330 people.

Both in terms of products and markets, the two companies are complementary, and particularly interesting will be the synergies at the level of Research and Development.

The production site in Mendrisio will be strengthened further by becoming the centre of competence within the group and by the production of products made of natural rubber for the entire group.

REX Articoli Tecnici SA is active in the field of chemistry, and elastomers since 1935 and has always played an important role in the field of technical articles. Very well-known are the applications in the railway infrastructure successfully used in the whole world. The anti-vibration dampeners mounted under the sleepers in the base tunnel of the Gotthard are currently applied in many projects around the world.

In the bicycle industry, Rex is distinguished in the development and production of pads for rim brakes as well as pads for disk brakes. The products are known on the market as Swisstop.

Borflex is an important group of French manufacturers whose production ranges from rubber elements of large dimensions; the profiles form elastomeric material as well as a large production of articles from composite materials that well complement the product range of the Rex. Borflex has many years of experience in the production of profiles for the TGV, and the seals used during the construction of dams and of the river sluices.

After more than forty-five years of activity, the president of the REX Articoli Tecnici SA Marco Favini leaves his operative position as member of the board of directors. He will remain at disposal for the group.

For the activities at the headquarters in Mendrisio, nothing changes and your current contacts remain at your disposal for any additional information as well as for new projects.

We are convinced that the group **Borflex/Rex** will even better serve you according to your needs; support you in your projects and will provide you with a broad spectrum of technical products.

For **REX Articoli Tecnici SA**
Marco Favini President

For **Borflex**
Olivier Quintin CEO

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