

Press Information

KYOCERA Fineceramics Europe GmbH enters the Medical Ceramic Ball Head Market with the creation of the new company KYOCERA Fineceramics Medical GmbH

Mannheim, 9. April 2024. Kyocera stands for progress and innovation in order to make life easier for everyone. This also means that the company is constantly evolving and driving this development by investing in new facilities and locations. Therefore, KYOCERA Fineceramics Europe sets another milestone in Europe by establishing a new company with the name KYOCERA Fineceramics Medical GmbH (KFMG). This new company is part of KYOCERA Fineceramics Europe GmbH to pursue its expansion and growth strategy.

In doing so, the company will be focusing on the production of high-quality ceramic ball heads that are primarily used in hip prostheses. For this reason, a new production site will be set up in the greater Stuttgart area. Sales and customer contact as well as support will be handled jointly by the Kyocera Medical Division in Japan and KYOCERA Fineceramics Medical GmbH in Europe.

The creation of the latest company is part of the company's long-term growth strategy. This strategy led to achieving a number of important milestones in recent years:

- In 2019, Kyocera achieved the Mannheim-based Friatec GmbH as well as the Selb-based H.C. Starck Ceramics GmbH in order to meet the rising demand for fine ceramic components used in the industrial machinery. The two production sites in Mannheim and Selb have also been successively expanded in line with the company's targets.
- In April 2023, Kyocera consolidated its existing fine ceramics business into the new KYOCERA Fineceramics Europe GmbH. In doing so, the fine ceramics units as well as the production sites in Mannheim and Selb were combined in an independent company under the roof of KYOCERA Europe GmbH. Furthermore, the fine ceramics division of KYOCERA Europe GmbH and its employees were also integrated into KYOCERA Fineceramics Europe GmbH.

“The creation of the new KYOCERA Fineceramics Medical GmbH company is an important milestone. Due to the fact that fine ceramic solutions are experiencing rising demands, we are glad that we can expand our fine ceramic presence in the important medical field and contribute to an innovative and sustainable future in Europe and worldwide“, says Kunihiko Ueki, President of KYOCERA Europe GmbH.



In addition to his function as President of KYOCERA Fineceramics Europe GmbH, Dr Carsten Russner holds the function of President of KYOCERA Fineceramics Medical GmbH. The management of the new company will be completed by Dr Fabian Preuss and Uwe Kemmer.

The delivery of the first manufactured products is planned for the first quarter of 2026.



For more information on Kyocera: www.kyocera.co.uk

About Kyocera

[KYOCERA Fineceramics Europe GmbH](#) is a subsidiary of [KYOCERA Europe GmbH](#), which has been successful in Europe for over 50 years. The Kyocera Group is one of the world's leading providers of high-performance ceramic components for the technology industry, offering over 200 different ceramic materials, as well as state-of-the-art technologies and services tailored to the specific needs of each market.

KYOCERA Europe GmbH is a company of the KYOCERA Corporation headquartered in Kyoto/Japan, a world leader in semiconductor, industrial and automotive components as well as electronic components, printing and multifunction systems, and communications technology. The technology group is one of the world's most experienced manufacturers of smart energy systems, with more than 45 years of industry expertise. The Kyocera Group comprises 297 subsidiaries (31 March 2023). In England, Kyocera has a subsidiary in Frimley, KYOCERA Fineceramics Ltd. With around 81,000 employees, Kyocera generated net annual sales of around EUR 13.87 billion in the 2022/2023 fiscal year.

Kyocera is ranked 672 on Forbes magazine's 'Global 2000' list for 2023, and ranked as 'The 100 Most Sustainably Managed Companies in the World' according to the Wall Street Journal. For the second year in a row, Kyocera qualified for the Dow Jones Sustainability Index (Asia-Pacific). As well, Kyocera receives a Gold rating on EcoVadis Sustainability Survey for the second consecutive year and was acknowledged as a 'Top 100 Global Innovator 2023', being one of the world's leading innovators, for the eighth time by Clarivate.

The company also takes an active interest in cultural affairs. The Kyoto Prize, a prominent international award, is presented each year by the Inamori Foundation — established by Kyocera founder Dr Kazuo Inamori — to individuals worldwide who have contributed significantly to the scientific, cultural, and spiritual betterment of humankind (equivalent to approximately €685,000 per prize category).

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