

Portrait: FDPW – German Trade Association of Precision Tool Grinders



FDPW
Fachverband Deutscher
Präzisions-Werkzeugschleifer

Established:	27th November 1987 in Würzburg
Membership:	About 300 member companies from all over the Federal Republic of Germany
Kind of companies:	Tool grinder workshops and their suppliers
Our job description:	Apprenticeship and further education leading to Master Tradesman as cutting-tool mechanics
Committee:	Eight members and two delegated members President Jürgen Baldus, Limburg 1. Vizepräsident Cutting Tools Mechanics Master Craftsman Udo Herrmann, Velbert 2. Vizepräsident Dipl.-Ing. (FH) Uwe Schmidt, Wurzen
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Journal of the FDPW:	Trade journal <i>FORUM der Schneid- & Schleiftechnik</i> Appears four times a year.

The FDPW is the trade association for all companies in Germany and the neighbouring foreign countries, which grind, manufacture and distribute chipping and cutting tools and industrial knives. The association is also open to other grinding technologies, such as for example cylindrical grinding, surface grinding, profile grinding and Centreless grinding, when these are connected to tool grinding or tool and knife manufacture. The FDPW is a member of the Central Federation of German Trades ZDH in Berlin.

Activities, benefits

FDPW members profit from numerous advantages. As the Trade Association for all cutting-tool mechanics the FDPW is at the same time a platform for the exchange of information and knowledge, and a competence network.

Service: Access to the FDPW Management System including quality, energy and environment management, matrix certification according to EN ISO 9001:2008, business management and production-technical consultancy, support in legal questions (employment and social law), information on current prices and the economic situation of the industry, knowledge transfer for promotion of the trade, insurance service.

Education: Promotion of apprenticeship and further education of members, close cooperation with vocational and master schools, cooperation in the field of public education policies, organisation of seminars and certification courses, courses of further education for the master's examination, professional conferences and training through the Professional Academy of Cutting and Grinding Technology.

Marketing: Representation of the economic and technical interests of the members towards national authorities, government offices, associations, business groups, the public and international images, campaigns and communications, marketing of further education (www.scharfhoch2.de), and marketing consultancy for businesses.

