

AVK – Industrie- vereinigung Verstärkte Kunststoffe e. V. Federation of Reinforced Plastics

Foundation

- 1924

Members

- about 230 companies

Branches

- Covering the entire value chain of composites

Key products

- Services, Consulting



About us

The AVK is the oldest interest group representing the plastics industry in Germany.

Typical areas of application for fibre-reinforced plastics include the automotive industry and transport, the aerospace industry, building, construction and engineering, electric/electronics, medical technology, shipbuilding, wind energy, sports, and recreation.

AVK represents the interests of all companies and institutions in the value chain involving components made of fibre-reinforced plastics and engineering thermosets:

- Raw materials suppliers
- Suppliers of semi-finished products and moulding compounds
- Suppliers of finished products
- Suppliers of machines and tools
- Companies in the application industry
- Service suppliers (universities, certification centres, engineering offices, consultants ...)

Mission

The AVK primarily works towards achieving the following five objectives:

- raising the profile of reinforced plastics in the market
- promoting innovation
- providing training courses for continuous professional development
- highlighting the sustainability of the materials and applications
- improving professional networks still further

Services

The AVK aims to be a one-stop-shop for its members in Germany and Europe providing all the services they require and representing their interests in its dealings with all necessary institutions.

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Our range of services is classified according to three areas and include the following:

Market specific services

- gathering/communicating information
- open seminars /conventions
- market report & market studies
- annual conference/innovation award

Member specific services

- organisation of expert task forces
- regular newsletter
- participation in trade fairs/seminars

Company specific services

- consulting/research
- providing contacts
- in-house services

Member structure:

AVK has an international member structure and is open to all companies, which are interested in the German composites market.

The AVK currently has about 230 member companies and is therefore one of the largest associations in the European composites sector. It represents members along the entire value-added chain in the area of reinforced plastics. Its members include manufacturers and suppliers of raw materials as well as processing companies, machine-tool manufacturers, engineering firms, testing authorities and scientific institutions. The association represents both small and medium-sized companies as well as major multinational concerns.

Organisational integration:

The AVK is integrated into a strong network of German and European partners:

- The AVK is founding member of Composites Germany.
- The AVK is one of four national pillars of the umbrella organisation of the plastics converting industry (GKV) .
- The AVK is a member of the European Composites Industry Association (EuCIA) and also represented on its board.