

## **INNOVATION FOR 100 YEARS - MILESTONES IN THE SUCCESS STORY OF SIMON HEGELE**

From operating as a moving agent to being a highly specialized logistics service provider - Simon Hegele has been constantly evolving for 100 years. Join us on a journey through our company history.

### **1920 - 1945 EARLY YEARS**

The history of the Simon Hegele company begins in 1920 with one wagon and two horses. The name giver himself founded a furniture transport company in Karlsruhe, which was determined to grow steadily in the years to come. During the Second World War, the fleet of vehicles acquired up to the year 1939 was completely requisitioned. In the last year of the war, the company founder Simon Hegele died.

### **1946 - 1959 GENERATIONAL CHANGE**

The forwarding company Simon Hegele, which to a large extent only exists on paper after the end of the war, is taken over and rebuilt by his widow Helene Hegele and the children. In addition to carrying out removals, the Simon Hegele company also starts to deliver of dairy products to retailers.

### **1960 - 1984 THE DEVELOPMENT INTO A HIGHLY SPECIALIZED SERVICE PROVIDER BEGINS**

In the beginning of the 60s, the first high-tech transports are carried out in addition to the removal business. Dieter Hegele joins the company in 1964 and over the next 20 years successfully drives the development of the company into a highly specialized service provider. 1974 Helene Hegele passes away and Karl Hegele leaves the company in 1983 due to his age. Kurt Hegele will actively advice and support the company until his death in 1997.

# COMPANY HISTORY

## 1985 DIETER HEGELE BECOMES A SHAREHOLDER

Dieter Hegele becomes a shareholder of Simon Hegele in 1985. The company begins to offer anonymous component manufacturing and packaged delivery of devices to the end customer. This is succeeded by the changeover to unpackaged transport, the development of individual transport aids and the worldwide rigging of MRIs, including the systems assembly at the end customers location.

## 1988 - 2012 ABOVE-AVERAGE GROWTH AND EXPANSION

Simon Hegele becomes a globally engaged logistics specialist. Subsidiaries, founded or acquired, joint ventures and efficient locations at home and abroad ensure a dynamic growth spurt.

- 1990** ▪ Start of production supply through Simon Hegele
- 1991** ▪ Subsidiary founded in Halle/Saale
- 1992** ▪ Construction of logistics center Erlangen-Baiersdorf
- 1993** ▪ Construction of logistics center Karlsruhe Rheinhafen
- 1994** ▪ Takeover of the forwarding company Dieter Ludwig, Baden-Baden
  - Relocation of logistics center Baiersdorf to new building Forchheim/Upper Franconia
  - Certification of Simon Hegele GmbH according to DIN EN ISO 9022
- 1995** ▪ Foundation of Hegele Holzverarbeitungsbetriebe Halle GmbH
- 1996** ▪ Establishment of freight forwarding company in Forchheim
- 1997** ▪ Extending certification according DIN EN ISO 9001
- 1999** ▪ Foundation of Duisburg freight forwarding company
  - Foundation of branch office in Istanbul/Turkey
- 2000** ▪ Foundation of LVS GmbH in Bruchsal
  - IT-Chain GmbH is founded by Simon Hegele and Fiducia IT AG
- 2001** ▪ New logistics center in Karlsruhe
  - New location of the Duisburg forwarding and logistics company
- 2002** ▪ Integration of LVS GmbH into the Simon Hegele GmbH as the "Division LVS"
  - Commissioning of the new logistics center in Karlsdorf-Neuthard
  - Joint Venture Logistik Zentrum Allgäu GmbH with Max Müller Spedition, Opfenbach
- 2003** ▪ Joint Venture Matrium GmbH founded by LZA GmbH and EADS Germany
- 2004** ▪ New logistics center in Kemnath
  - New manufacturing and logistics center in Forchheim/Upper Franconia

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- 2005**
  - Implementation of the system transport division with HUB in Frankfurt and the branch office in Munich/Unterschleißheim
  - Simon Hegele goes USA: Successful transfer of the European assembly and delivery process to the USA
  - Simon Hegele goes UK: Further development of logistics processes applicable to the Oxford plant, production supply and disposal, and supplier management
- 2006**
  - IT Chain GmbH becomes 100% subsidiary of Simon Hegele GmbH
  - The new logistics center in Duisburg is put into operation
- 2007**
  - Foundation of Simon Hegele Supply Chain Services GmbH & Co. KG
- 2008**
  - IT Chain GmbH takes over archiving service from ORGA GmbH
  - Gailing GmbH is taken over by the Simon Hegele Group
  - Hegele Group becomes co-founding partner of TENESO Europe SE
- 2009**
  - Implementation of a new organizational structure
  - Simon Hegele takes over Distriparts Deutschland GmbH
- 2010**
  - Relocation of Distriparts Deutschland GmbH from Rothenburg o. d. Tauber to Uffenheim
  - New logistics center in Berlin Ludwigsfelde and Nuremberg-Feucht occupied
- 2011**
  - Simon Hegele goes Australia: Establishment of the first branch office on the Australian continent in Brisbane
- 2012**
  - Logistics center in Frankfurt Raunheim established
  - Construction of the new Rittigfeld logistics center

## **2014 - 2016 CHANGE IN SHAREHOLDER STRUCTURE AND EXPANSION OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS**

- 2014**
  - Dieter Hegele takes over 100% of the company shares
  - Completion of the SH3 logistics and manufacturing center
  - Siemens and Simon Hegele jointly plan and build a logistics and manufacturing center for X-ray and fluoroscopy devices
- 2015**
  - Simon Hegele goes Mexico
  - Simon Hegele and Elflein establish joint venture
- 2016**
  - Expansion of the Rittigfeld logistics center
- 2017**
  - Simon Hegele bundles worldwide logistics activities under newly founded holding company - Group management by Dieter Hegele, Managing Majority Shareholder, and Stefan Ulrich, Managing Director
  - In connection with the transaction, Stefan Ulrich as well as the managers Christoph Ludin, Christoph Sitzer and Mike Winter have acquired a total share of 20 percent in Simon Hegele Holding
- 2018**
  - Simon Hegele acquires majority of shares in eds-R Healthcare Logistics GmbH
- 2019**
  - Forchheim site celebrates 25th anniversary
  - Gailing GmbH is renamed to GMED Healthcare Solutions

## **2020 SIMON HEGELE TURNS 100 AND STEFAN ULRICH BECOMES CEO OF THE SIMON HEGELE GROUP**

In the anniversary year, Dieter Hegele, still the main shareholder of Simon Hegele Holding GmbH, initiates his succession. By appointing of Stefan Ulrich as CEO, the fundamental strategic realignment of the Simon Hegele Group is considered complete. As a further step in the organizational change, Christoph Ludin (Industry & Retail), Karim-Oliver Darvich (Industry & Retail) and Mike Winter (Healthcare) strengthen the Managing Board of Simon Hegele Gesellschaft für Logistik und Service mbH.

### **Other milestones in 2020:**

- Introduction of advisory board structure
- HTT business unit sold to Rhenus
- Simon Hegele becomes majority shareholder of Kilian
- Simon Hegele goes France: Foundation of Simon Hegele Healthcare Solutions France SARL
- Foundation of Mobile Imaging GmbH - start with mobile CT (computer tomography) scanning service
- Simon Hegele goes South America: Foundation of Simon Hegele Healthcare Solutions, Brasil
- Simon Hegele becomes majority shareholder of Interflex Medizintechnik
- Simon Hegele receives ISO 13485 certification for medical devices at Frankfurt/Raunheim site
- eds-r becomes 100% subsidiary

### **2021**

- Dieter Hegele transitions to the Advisory Board established in 2019 as the Chairman