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**Renishaw and IDEKO inaugurate a new R&D facility in the Basque Country to drive advanced manufacturing innovations**

The global leading metrology company, Renishaw, and the research centre [IDEKO](https://www.ideko.es/en/ideko-3/about-us), have inaugurated a new Renishaw Solutions Centre in Elgoibar (Gipuzkoa), Spain. The new Research & Development (R&D) facility aims to develop innovative solutions in advanced manufacturing.

This laboratory, located on the premises of the Basque Research and Technology Alliance (BRTA) member centre, forms part of the collaboration agreement signed between the two organisations at the 2024 International Machine Tool Exhibition in Bilbao, Spain.

The inauguration was attended by Jaione Ganzarain, Deputy Minister for Technology, Innovation and Digital Transformation of the Basque Government; Pedro Durán, Managing Director of Renishaw Ibérica; and Rafael Lizarralde, Managing Director of IDEKO. During the event, a multitude of innovative technologies for three-dimensional measurement, production process control, metal additive manufacturing, machine tools and the calibration of machines and industrial robots, were presented.

“We have enjoyed a close relationship with Renishaw for many years, both as users of their autonomous equipment and as suppliers of components. This agreement strengthens our relationship by offering Renishaw the chance to use this new facility, where they can not only promote their technologies, but also support our R&D activities,” explained Lizarralde.

Durán, meanwhile, said that Renishaw Ibérica shares “the same innovative DNA as IDEKO,” adding that the company “will demonstrate this by sharing technologies, equipment and, most importantly, experiences with them over the coming years. The Solutions Centre showcases some of our most advanced innovations, which are already being used in the industry and play a crucial role in improving manufacturing processes.”

A long-term partnership agreement between the two organisations marks the beginning of a partnership that also involves Danobatgroup, a leading industrial group in the field of machine tools. The Solutions Centre drives innovation for this group, while Renishaw has been a long-term technology supplier across several of its product lines.

“Despite signing a three-year agreement, we are seeking a broader collaboration that will involve both Danobatgroup and Renishaw UK. We feel that this would help to ensure that our technological solutions are implemented in the industry and applied in machines and production lines,” added Lizarralde.

For further information, visit [www.renishaw.com](http://www.renishaw.com)

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**About Renishaw**

Renishaw is a world leading supplier of measuring systems and manufacturing systems. Its products give high accuracy and precision, gathering data to provide customers and end users with traceability and confidence in what they’re making. This technology also helps its customers to innovate their products and processes.

It is a global business with over 5,000 employees located in the 36 countries where it has wholly owned subsidiary operations. The majority of R&D work takes place in the UK, with the largest manufacturing sites located in the UK, Ireland and India.

For the year ended June 2024 Renishaw recorded sales of £691.3 million of which 95% was due to exports. The company’s largest markets are China, USA, Japan and Germany.

Renishaw is guided by its purpose: Transforming Tomorrow Together. This means working with its customers to make the products, create the materials, and develop the therapies that are going to be needed for the future.

Further information at [www.renishaw.com](http://www.renishaw.com/)

**About IDEKO**

IDEKO is a technology centre dedicated to the research, development and innovation of new technologies applied to advanced manufacturing, with a particular focus on precision machines and processes and artificial intelligence applied to manufacturing. IDEKO has headquarters in Elgoibar (Gipuzkoa) and forms part of the Basque Research Technology Alliance (BRTA).