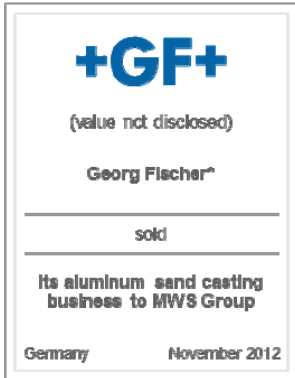


## External Deal Announcement



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**goetzpartners exclusively advised Georg Fischer AG on the disposal of its aluminium sand casting business with two foundries located in Friedrichshafen and Garching, Germany.**



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GF Automotive, a Corporate Group of publicly listed Georg Fischer AG (Switzerland), has reached an agreement with MWS Industrieholding GmbH, a subsidiary of Austrian MWS Group, to divest its entire aluminium sand casting activities. The two corresponding plants of Friedrichshafen and Garching will be divested via a share deal.

The Friedrichshafen and Garching foundries have been belonging to Georg Fischer since 1999 and employ around 250 and 180 persons respectively. They are both specialists in aluminium sand casting parts for passenger cars, commercial vehicles and industrial applications. Their combined sales in 2011 was approximately EUR 105 million.

### **About Georg Fischer**

Georg Fischer, the listed Swiss corporation, operates via its three Corporate Groups, GF Piping Systems, GF Automotive and GF AgieCharmilles offering solutions for secure water and gas transport, automobile safety and fuel efficiency, and precision manufacturing.

### **About GF Automotive**

GF Automotive, a Corporate Group of Georg Fischer, develops and manufactures highly stressable, light metal and iron cast components and systems for the vehicle and consumer industries, and for the machine tool and plant engineering sector.

### **About MWS Industrieholding**

MWS Group, headquartered in Kufstein-Schwoich/ Austria, is a privately owned automotive supplier specialized in aluminium castings. MWS was founded in 2004 and has three locations in Austria today, as well as a production site in Slovakia. With a total of 320 employees, MWS sales are around EUR 32 million in 2012.

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