

Product Management Low-pressure gas measurement: Winds of change

Since January 2008, Hans Arp has reinforced the product management in the field of low-pressure gas measurement (diaphragm gas meters) in Osnabrück. Here, he introduces himself to the Elster customer magazine readers.

"I grew up in Laboe on the Kiel Fjord. I have always been passionate about sailing and therefore willingly spent my military service in the Navy. I also had a lot of fun doing many thousands of kilometres on various motorbikes – primarily a Yamaha XT550. In my private life, my wife and our two children help me to "switch off" after work.



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My first professional experience was at AVL-Zöllner in Kiel, where I worked first as a design engineer and then as Project Manager for dynamometers in the automotive industry.

In January 2001, my wife lead me to the place where she grew up and I moved to G. Kromschröder AG. I got an insight into the world of diaphragm gas meters in the R&D department for domestic gas meters. The time-tested and in no way outdated operating principle of diaphragm gas meters deserves great respect. For this technology has helped to safeguard the jobs of hundreds of employees for many decades. As the core of the measuring unit, the diaphragm must be free of folds – just like a ship's sail – each time it reaches its final position to ensure the accuracy of the measuring unit.

After jumping in at the deep end of product management, I am very grateful to my colleagues for allowing me a certain time



to familiarise myself with the job. In my area of responsibility, I appreciate that it is a very diverse field and it is important that I get a comprehensive overview of both the product and the markets.

I am handling the often tight deadlines that come with the job with a sporting attitude: a ship needs a stiff breeze to gather way."

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