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BIKAR family continues to grow - in every respect

**Metal specialist aims to recruit up to 50 employees for the new BIKAR Zone /
Production center is already running in test mode**



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Raumland. (vö) "BIKAR family continues to grow", announces the Raumland metal specialist at the start of training.



A statement that is to be taken literally in every respect. On the one hand, it undoubtedly refers to the increase in personnel, but on the other hand, the company's headquarters is also advancing into new dimensions: Where until a few years ago Plant I was located, the BIKAR Zone, the first fully automated production center for non-ferrous metal blanks, is being built piece by piece. Here, the

digitalization so often described becomes tangible. The close cooperation between humans and robots ensures exciting and varied work. This is where the production workplaces of the future are currently being created. Highly automated and robot-supported, up to 50 new colleagues will be responsible for the smooth production of semi-finished products in Raumland, from production monitoring to maintenance. A great deal of technical know-how is required, and in the coming years BIKAR's training program will become even more diverse, the company has already announced.

Keyword BIKAR Zone: "We are in the commissioning and test runs," explained Vanessa Roth, marketing manager at BIKAR, when asked by SZ. It is now a matter of fine-tuning, she added. The hiring of up to 50 new colleagues represents another special challenge. Especially since 90 new colleagues have already been hired this year alone at the BIKAR locations in Raumland and Korbußen. Currently, twelve young people are starting their professional careers at the headquarters in Wittgenstein alone. On September 1, the company eclipsed its own record with ten new trainees at the Korbußen production site in Thuringia, offering a total of 22 new colleagues a solid start to their careers. During an extensive welcome day, the young colleagues were immediately relieved of some of their fears: "For many trainees, this is their first job. Naturally, some questions and fears arise beforehand. With a varied welcome day and an extensive opportunity to get to know each other, we make it clear right from the start how we work at BIKAR: We are a family and support each other. Whether it's us

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trainers or our colleagues in the specialist department, everyone takes the time to answer questions and help with problems," said Jenny Leidner, a trainer since 2020, summing up the philosophy of the Wittgenstein-based metal trader.

This year, too, there is good news from the trainees of previous years: All of them recently successfully completed their final examinations and have been recruited for the company. The apprentices continue to be an important investment in the development of the site: "Training has traditionally been a high priority for us. Especially in times of a surplus of jobs, it is all the more important for us to convince young people of our employer qualities at an early stage and to bind them to us," said authorized signatory Ingo Miß, summarizing the company's own high standards.

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