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Innovative products by SORTIMO Speedwave

Inventiveness for automobile Innovations

SORTIMO Speedwave combines its know-how in design and development of automotive innovations to create a more comfortable and functional vehicle interior.

In close cooperation with the leading car manufacturers the Speedwave inventers develop tailor-made automotive solutions (**OEM project business**). But of course they also apply themselves to their **very own product line** and offer a creative counterpart for **services**.

1. OEM – Project business

As an experienced tier-1 development supplier SORTIMO Speedwave is a sought after partner for the automotive industry. The core competence of SORTIMO Speedwave is reflected throughout the complete processing chain. Starting with an exciting idea to virtual product planning and the development of prototypes up to mass production and just-in-time logistics. SORTIMO SPEEDWAVE offers a complete spectrum of project services to the automotive industry. This requires an effective combination of specialized technical know-how and experience to achieve maximum development quality at a minimum of development time. A specialist team of engineers, designers and technicians work together efficiently and realize the design process from the drawing up to production readiness.

For the areas of interior equipment and cargo management the R&D center of SORTIMO Speedwave develops complex, **extendible pull-out loading platforms and versatile table and storage modules** such as:

- the extendible loading floor for the Mercedes-Benz Vaneo
- the extendible loading floor for the Mercedes-Benz Viano
- the electro-hydraulic extensible loading floor for the MB E-Class T-Model
- the center table for the VW T5 Multivan
- the side wall table for the VW T5 Multivan

Quite a few exciting months lie between the model and prototype construction and the final series production. The SORTIMO SPEEDWAVE Team can rely on a brain-pool of experienced engineers, designers, constructors and technicians. They relate directly to the requirements of the customer to find the perfect solution.

Series production is carried out on SORTIMO's state of the art production plants in the Bavarian City of Zusmarshausen. The complete systems and modules are then delivered just-in-time to the conveyor-belts of the automotive industry.

2. SORTIMO Speedwave Product Line

In addition to the OEM project business the SORTIMO Speedwave inventers apply themselves to the development and production of their own product line. This includes self-sufficient, sturdy **Outdoor Modules**, which can also be used outside the vehicle and a **flexible universal loading platform** – a rather smart loading system combining comfort and everyday suitability with safety and functionality. The loading platform can be pulled out in two stages and fulfils both commercial as well as many hobby and recreational requirements. Use it for your heavy shopping bags or as a helpful support to secure baggage, bike and Outdoor Modules. Because thanks to several lashing points you can store up to 125 kg on it – without getting a backache. As an **accessory module** it can be retrofitted, and based on flexible widths and depths it can be used in variety of vehicle models. And by now this “weight-bearing-capacity idea” has been classified as a valuable extra among car manufacturers.

SORTIMO Speedwave had the idea of equipping vehicles with a **mobile office**. “Because today’s vehicles have to be “all-purpose-vehicles” – says Managing Director Reinhold Braun. The Speedwave think tank also developed a so-called in-vehicle manager, a **sturdy multi-functional box on the passenger seat**. An integral part of this is a notebook tray which can be moved over to the driver’s side and the flexible interior for the printer and mains adaptor. And of course also suitable for storing folders and business papers

3. SORTIMO Speedwave Services

As a third pillar the imaginative team also offers a creative counterpart. Accompanied by the initial idea from conception and design up to the development performance, prototyping and modelling. Outstanding examples for this are a DaimlerChrysler study: „X-PRESSION“ (Show car for the Caravan Salon 2004) and the DaimlerChrysler study „X-CLUSIVE“ (Show car for the Automobilsalon Bologna 2004).

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