

Multinational with a family feel

"When I started at Neways in 1980 as founder Gerard Meulenstein's executive secretary, I was just nineteen. We worked from a house behind the business premises in Nuenen. My desk was in the kitchen, Gerard sat in the living room and the financial director had his office in the bedroom upstairs. As Gerard's executive secretary, I was pretty much a Girl Friday, it really was a family business. When a bottleneck occurred in production, the company director also helped pack boxes. I have seen many changes in forty years, and have also grown with the company.

Gerard Meulenstein was a 'people person', that aspect was very important to him. The feelings of cohesion and togetherness have remained, but the expansions have obviously reduced the family feel. I was present during the various acquisitions and have personally watched the business grow into an international company.

I moved from Nuenen to Helmond first, then back to Nuenen with payroll accounting, and have been in Son now since 1997. In the holding company, I and two colleagues are responsible for processing the salaries of the almost one thousand employees in the Netherlands, and we support Corporate HR.

To mark Neways' fiftieth anniversary, I worked with Joep Crolla, a respected journalist, on producing a special anniversary book called Neways Nowadays & Next. That collaboration really reminded me of the wonderful products that Neways makes. Technology has become such an important part of our lives and Neways plays a role in much of that technology. In hospitals, in your car, in the train, when you fill up at a petrol station, get a coffee from the vending machine, have poor hearing, stand under the shower, go to a major event: Neways is indirectly interwoven in our lives. We can be proud of those achievements and should also show our pride."

CONNECTING PEOPLE AND TECHNOLOGY

FAMILY FEEL

EXPERTISE

TALENT

ONE NEWAYS



Overname:

Stork Electronics in Son

Q-Nova in Slowakije

Hoyle in Son
(ontwikkeling en engineering)

Overname:

Semecs in Neunkirchen

Overname:

Electronics
van T...

2001

Meulenstein neemt
noodlijdend Ramaar
over van Neways en
zet bedrijf zelf voort

2002

Start vestiging in China:
Neways Wuxi Electronics

2004 - 2005

2001



Neways scheidt in Holzen,
Leeuwarden, Heerlen en Son

2002

Invoering Euro



2014

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