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Technik vs. Lean: Widerspruch oder Ergänzung

Vortrag im Rahmen des Forums: "Warehousing – Prozesse und Technologien mit Lean Production-Konzepten neu gestalten"

- > Objectives of automation vs. Objectives of lean differences and similarities
- > Warehousing Excellence a challenge for designing distribution centres (DC)
- Integrated design in the sense of lean harmonised processes, organization and technology
- > Summary: The role of the staff and technology in Warehousing Excellence DC
- How to achieve Warehousing Excellence DC



Objectives of automation vs. Objectives of lean differences and similarities

Objectives to be achieved by a re-engineering or a new design of a Warehousing Excellence DC

Use of employee's flexibility

Standardization of processes

Fast reaction to cover changed requirements

Zero

Losses

Use of employee's experiences

"Buy in" of employee's

Continuous Improvement

Synchronization of processes

Long term use of equipment

Improved **Productivity**

High Throughputs

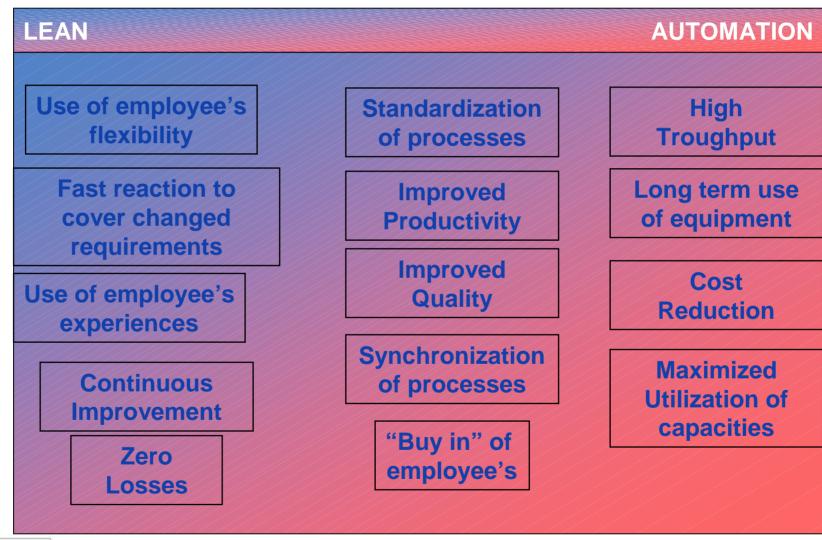
Improved Quality

Cost Reduction

Maximized Utilization of capacities



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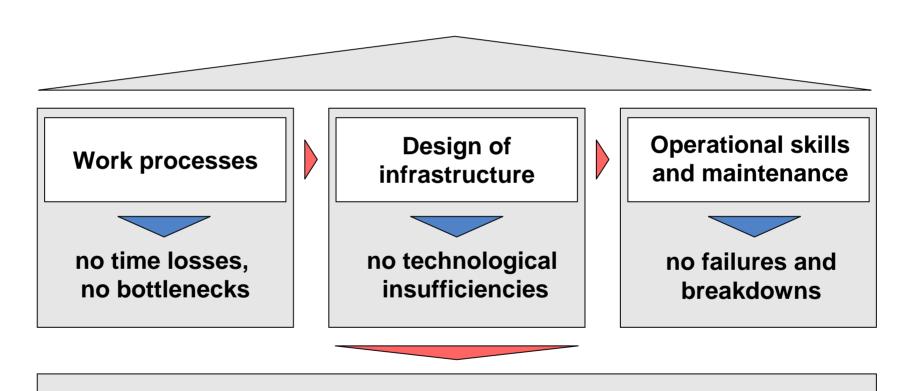


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Warehousing Excellence Distribution Center Objectives

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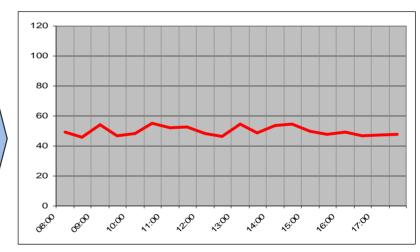
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Warehousing Excellence Distribution Center Lean Design of Processes

- Within one company processes are standardized, rolled out and well trained to achieve the ZERO DEFECT operation!
- > Processes are designed in a way which supports the continuous flow of material, regardless if one piece flow or mass production!





- 1. Same process design for different throughput
- 2. Similar design of IT-dialogues and logic behind
- 3. Visualization of performance and status
- 4. Material flow is continuous and smooth



Warehousing Excellence Distribution Center Lean Design of Infrastructure

- > Lean material flow systems provide a high process stability and tolerate against short term and long term change of requirements!
- > A maximum of flexibility will be achieved by an intelligent combination of automation and manual operation according to lean principles!

Design of Infrastructure:

- > Technology
- > IT
- > Building

economical

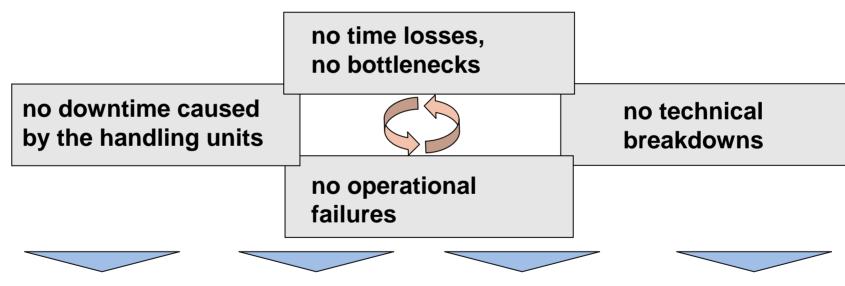
adaptive
functional

- 1. Automation to cover main capacities
- 2. Manual operation for peak situations
- 3. Adaptive control of resources
- 4. Long term in-/decrease of capacities



Warehousing Excellence Distribution Center Lean Design of Operation

- > Logistics is operated on an high performance level by the use of industrial work systems
- > The goal is the ZERO DEFECT operation and the fulfillment of a maximum quality level!



- 1. Continuous improvement and adaptation
- 2. Autonomous and preventive maintenance
- 3. High personal skill level of operators
- 4. Organization of the daily business

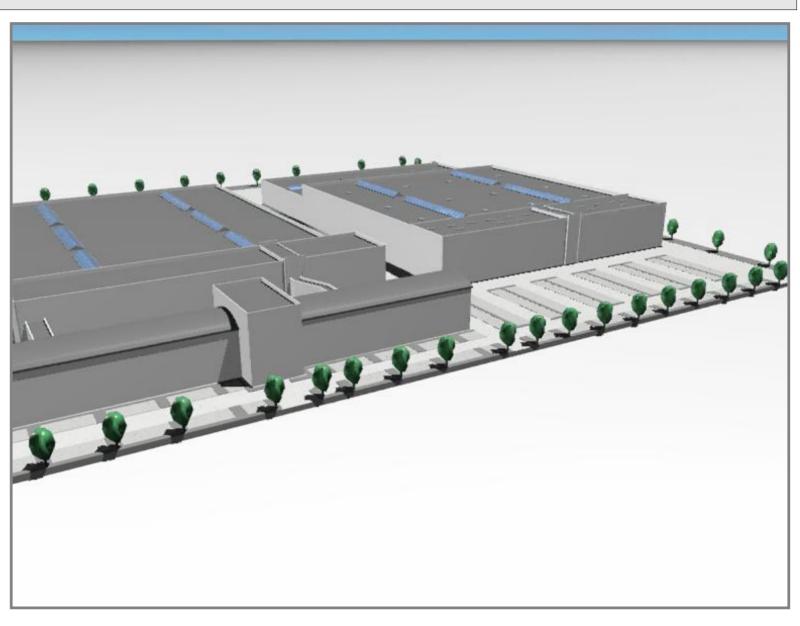


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Example of a Warehousing Excellence DC Example production supply and spare part center

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Main key elements of Warehousing Excellence DC covered:

- Same process design for different throughputs
- Material flow is continuous and smooth
- Visualization of performance and status
- > Automation to cover main capacities
- Manual operation for peak situations
- > Adaptive control of resources
- > Long term in-/decrease of capacities
- > High personal skill level of operators



3 year's after start up the system is running at index 1.5 above planned capacity without mayor bottlenecks



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Summary The role of the staff and technology

- Automation in material flow and warehouse technology does not end in itself and will endure as an integral part of warehouses – within changed conditions
- > The human potential especially flexibility and adaptability have to be more utilized in the future, e.g.
 - > to cover peaks in operation
 - > to realise different processes and throughputs on one machine
 - > to implement short- and long term as well as planned and unplanned changes of requirements
- > Automation will relieve the employee
 - > where similar actions are taken more rational by machines
 - where high material throughputs are not manageable without automation



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The way to Warehousing Excellence Program Overview

STEP 1: Definition of expected business standards for productivity, KPI's, cost

Goal: Leadership team of sites understands expectation of company

STEP 2: Loss Analysis (of pilot site) for processes, technology and training level

Goal: Losses as well as improvement areas are clearly defined and ranked

STEP 3: Focused improvement of process losses

Goal: Optimized use and utilization of the existing infrastructure

STEP 4: Optimization of losses caused by technical infrastructure

Goal: Infrastructure fulfills material handling requirements

STEP 5: Introduction of autonomous and preventive maintenance systems

Goal: Infrastructure will be kept in perfect condition

STEP 6: Introduction of continuous improvement concept

Goal: High training standard, commitment and buy-in of all employees

STEP 7: Re-application and roll-out to all sites (if applicable)

Goal: Successful roll-out of the warehousing excellence program



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