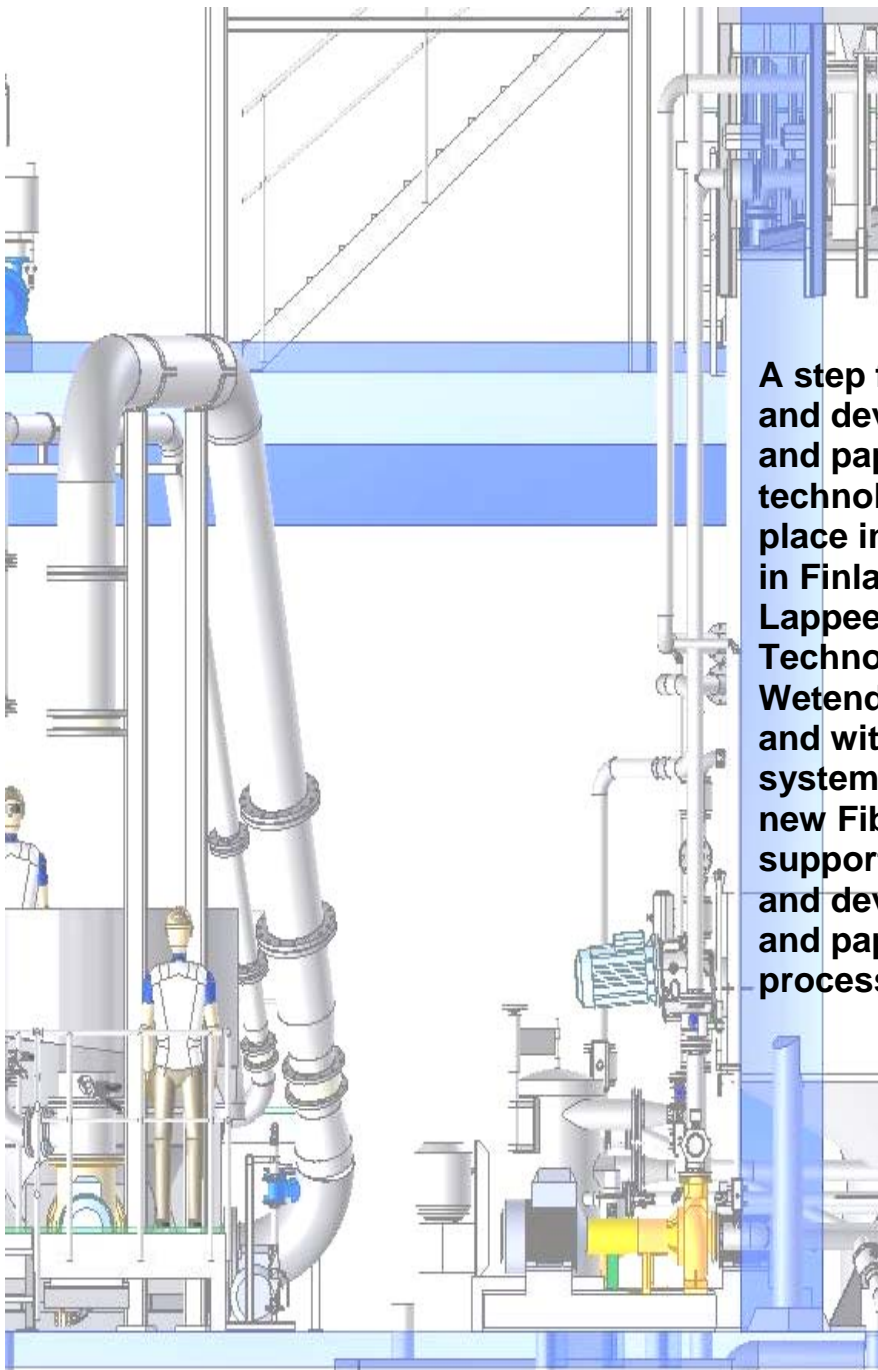


New FiberLaboratory in Savonlinna supports development of papermaking processes



A step forward in research and development of pulp and papermaking technologies has taken place in city of Savonlinna in Finland.

Lappeenranta University of Technology together with Wetend Technologies Ltd and with other major local system suppliers has built a new FiberLaboratory to support scientific research and development of pulp and paper manufacturing processes.

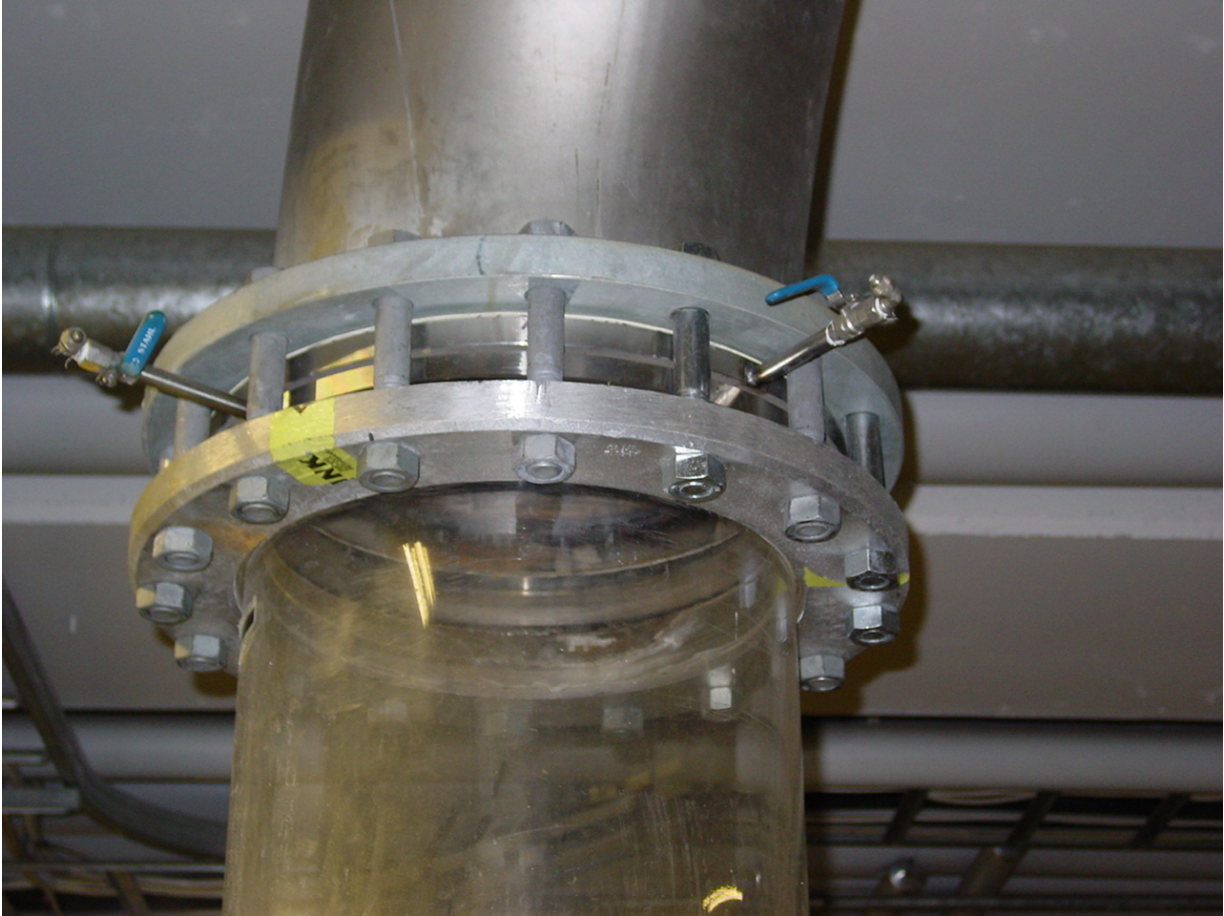


The FiberLaboratory in Savonlinna

The first stage of investment for the new FiberLaboratory has been completed and kick off of the first research projects has taken place. Research professor Jari Käyhkö states that the most important target for the Laboratory is to develop new scientific knowhow and improved, competitive technologies for the pulp and paper industry in close cooperation between key suppliers and Lappeenranta University of Technology together with papermaking companies and with variety of partners.



Professor Jari Käyhkö and research scientist Timo Ruuska



Large diameter transparent process section for analysis of mixing processes

Jouni Matula, CEO of Wetend Technologies confirms that the facility will give a good support to ongoing development work of Wetend Technologies to improve mixing of hydraulic flows, maximizing efficiency of various additives and optimizing the wet end process of a paper machine. Wetend Technologies Ltd supported by the new Fiber Laboratory will also offer to paper and board mills analyzing services for additive and process efficiency optimization and operational surveys for wet end performance as well as mill wide best mixing practice valuations.

For process analysis and optimization the FiberLaboratory is powered e.g with dynamic sheet former (MBF, moving belt former) for diverse tests for dewatering, retention and paper properties.

For more information, please contact Wetend Technologies in Finland or our local representative.