

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Efficiently processing tropical fruit: how Tropicaux in Guinea uses KRONEN technology for its pineapple processing activities**

#### **Producing high-quality dried-fruit snacks**

The company Tropicaux from Guinea, which specializes in processing and exporting dried fruit, uses machines from KRONEN GmbH to professionally process fresh pineapples. The company has invested in three manual machine solutions developed by KRONEN to optimize its production processes for high-quality dried pineapple rings for the international market.

#### **Processing 20,000 kilograms of fresh fruit every day**

At its site in Guinea, Tropicaux processes approximately 20,000 kilograms of fresh, locally grown fruit every day, primarily pineapples of the “Baron” variety, which is native to Guinea. The cut fruit is then processed further to create dried products, which are distributed worldwide to locations such as the US, the EU, and various African countries. To meet growing demands with regard to quality and efficiency, Tropicaux relies on machine solutions from KRONEN.

#### **Efficiency and precision thanks to KRONEN technology**

The company's processing line uses three well-established KRONEN devices:

- Two manual MAK pineapple top and tail cutting devices, which speed up preparatory work
- Three HGW grid cutters with a special insert for cutting out the pineapple flesh by removing the peel and core
- Four manual MASS pineapple slicers, which cut pineapples into even rings with a thickness of 10 or 20 mm

Using this technology enables Tropicaux to maintain a consistently high product quality. The machines improve the efficiency of its processing activities and increase its processing capacity.

By opting to use KRONEN machines, Tropicaux has underlined its commitment to investing in sustainable and reliable technology. The manual operation of the solutions makes its production activities particularly robust and low-maintenance and allows it to easily add further machines to the line where needed.

“Our cooperation with KRONEN enables us to expand our production capacities with a targeted approach while also improving the quality of our products,” explained Mamadi Diané, Co-Funder of Tropicaux.

#### **About Tropicaux**

Tropicaux is a manufacturer of dried fruit based in the Republic of Guinea, West Africa. The company exports its products to locations worldwide and places particularly high value on quality and sustainability in its fruit processing activities. For more information on Tropicaux, visit [www.tropicaux.com](http://www.tropicaux.com).

#### **About KRONEN GmbH**

KRONEN is a family-managed, globally operating producer and supplier of stand-alone machines, special-purpose machines, and high-tech processing facilities for the fresh-cut industry. The product program of KRONEN and its partners covers fruit, vegetable, and salad processing: from preparing, cutting, washing, drying, dewatering, peeling, and sterilizing right through to packaging.

KRONEN also offers machines for the processing of meat and fish, special vegan products, baked goods, and pet food.

The company, which is based in Kehl am Rhein, Germany, and has a second production site in the nearby city of Achern, currently employs more than 130 members of staff, has representatives in over 80 countries worldwide, and supplies its products to more than 120 nations all over the globe.

With more than 45 years of experience in food technology, KRONEN prides itself on its quality awareness and constantly strives to achieve the best possible solutions in its day-to-day work. The machine manufacturer focuses on taking a sustainable, holistic approach toward the hygienic, reliable and resource-friendly production of fresh foods. KRONEN considers itself to be a think tank that provides innovative solutions to benefit its customers and meet all their needs. It guarantees top-quality advice and planning expertise in close cooperation with the industry and research establishments.

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Tropicaux processes fruit into dried fruit that is sold worldwide. Large quantities of dried pineapple slices are produced every day.



The HGW manual grid cutter can be equipped with various tools. Tropicaux uses the cutting insert to peel and core pineapples.



A pineapple cylinder peeled and cored with the HGW.



The pineapple rings are dried and then exported as dried fruit.



The MAK and MASS machines facilitate efficient pineapple processing.