



## InWWerse® Fastener



#### WHAT IS MULTIMATERIAL-WELDING?

MultiMaterial-Welding (MM-Welding® in short) is a Fastening Technology Platform that uses ultrasonic energy to partially liquify thermoplastic materials to create a functional and strong connection within lightweight materials in fractions of a second.

Based on the innovative MultiMaterial-Welding process, the InWWerse® Fastener Technology takes the industry proven advantages and features to another exciting field of applications. The MultiMaterial-Welding engineers have developed a novel fastening system which allows to precisely establish an immediately loadable connection point onto thermoplastic substrates.

#### THE INWWERSE® FASTENER TECHNOLOGY

- Very fast processing time of only 1 second
- Suitable also for low wall-thicknesses
- No pre-hole or throughhole required
- Strong form locking due to innovative crater shaped design

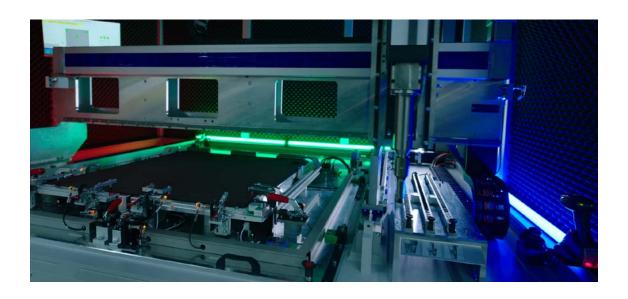


## Advantages compared to adhesive bonding

- Much faster cycle times
- Less attention to surface conditions required since bonding happens not through adhesion but through mechanical interlocking
- No critical substances to handle or store (no shelf-life issues)
- Process Traceability

## Advantages compared to embedding

- No complex tooling for metallic inserts needed (i.e. injection moulding)
- No sink marks at thin wall thicknesses
- Flexible in positioning
- No overmoulding of thread





#### **INSTALLATION PROCESS**



InWWerse® Fastener with special "crater" design positioned into place.



Ultrasonic energy is applied. Within a second the localized thermoplastic melting generates a strong form-locking.



Threaded connection point reliably installed and ready for next production step.

Possible to run process without creating marks on distal side.



# QUALITY CONTROL SOFTWARE TOOLS WITH "SMART SOLUTIONS" READY FOR INDUSTRY 4.0



SmartSolutions is based on machine learning and transforms production data into meaningful and actionable insights for our customers in real-time.

It allows quality control of 100% of produced parts and eliminates the need for destructive testing:

## **SERIAL PRODUCTION**

To install the MM-Welding® fasteners, ultrasonic welding equipment is necessary, which is available through the MM-Welding® production systems. From stand-alone systems for small scale and flexible projects, up to massive serial production projects are available.

## THE PROVEN CUSTOMER BENEFIT

MultiMaterial-Welding InWWerse® Fastener is an ideal technology for today's requirements on cost reduction, automation and process optimization.

It allows new design thinking (e.g. lower material thicknesses) and immense cost reduction for several volume scenarios.

Bossard takes "Proven productivity" for real and offers a unique business model.

Our "pay-per-weld" offering eliminates investment requirements and makes it very easy to benefit from the unique advantages of MultiMaterial-Welding. Tailor made systems provided by Bossard offer a turn-key solution and an easy forecasting for the end user.

Interested? Contact us and discuss about your application and the most ideal MultiMaterial-Welding solution for you.



### HOW INWWERSE® FASTENER CAN SAVE PRODUCTIONS COSTS Scenario: Adhesive bonding of fastening elements onto FRP for sportscar application. 25k connection points p.a. with 8 fasteners per assembly. 17.188 1.528 17.188 Year 2 1.528 16.250 6.250 25.000 .500 MM-WBonding 6.250 16.250 MM-WBonding 17.188 ■ Variable costs Investment Year 3 1.528 16.250 Processing cost 6.250 MM-W Bonding Overall Overall 1st 17.188 following year years Year 4, ... MM-W 31.917 7.917 1.528 16.250 6.250 **Bonding** 42.750 41.250 MM-WBonding Saving 4.833 33.333