

## AIAM TECHNOLOGY HIGHLIGHT



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FLT is a turnkey automation solutions provider, integrating best-in-class technologies to provide the highest quality, most cost-effective custom solutions for our manufacturing partners. We are part of The Laepple Group which celebrated its 100th-anniversary last year. The Laepple Group includes three business units:

- Laepple Automotive is a global Tier 1 body-in-white automotive components supplier.
- FIBRO is a market leader for Standard Parts for the tool & die industry and a global supplier for high precision rotary tables.
- FLT is the automation and integration arm of the company.

Headquartered in Germany, we are a global organization with manufacturing, sales & support in Germany, North America, China & India. FLT NA is located in Sterling Heights, MI. Fibro NA is in Rockford Illinois.

### TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

**44 IN NORTH AMERICA**  
**2,500 GLOBALLY**

With 26 employees engaged in aerospace activity.

### WHAT ARE SOME OF THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF YOUR BEING LOCATED IN MICHIGAN?

"It goes without saying that the concentration of customers and talent in Michigan is second to none - which makes the market for automation significant compared to other regions and has intensified competition for talent."

### GREATEST ACCOMPLISHMENT

"We consider the greatest honor to be our long-term partnerships and solution agreements with numerous customers. Our success resides in our ability to provide solutions integrating numerous technologies with our FLT Gantries, rotary tables and conveyors."

### GOALS OVER THE NEXT 5 TO 10 YEARS

"Diversifying our industry focus is one of our key goals. 2021 is on the right path as we were recently awarded a large automation project with a Michigan based Aerospace manufacture. In addition, continuing to build long-term relationships with our partners is always our focus."

### WHAT OPPORTUNITIES DO YOU SEE THAT EXIST IN MICHIGAN FOR THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY?

"There is no question that Michigan offers significant advantages to the aerospace industry with its extensive manufacturing capabilities and available talent pool. Michigan should lead the way with the support of organizations like AIAM and the MEDC."

### AS AN AIAM MEMBER, WHAT DO YOU SEE AS SOME OF THE BIGGEST CHALLENGES FACING MICHIGAN AND THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY?

"We think one of the challenges is the ability of Michigan based companies to network outside of our state, emphasizing the strengths we have here. Collaboration in our community of highly skilled organizations is a must. Knowing Michigan's current situation was the first step, now we need to expand and grow together."

### HOW DOES THE AEROSPACE ASPECT OF YOUR BUSINESS BENEFIT FROM THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY IN MICHIGAN?

"It is the experience of success in a very competitive business that develops the ability to adapt quickly and solve problems cost-effectively in any business."



AEROSPACE INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN