

REMEMBERING PUBLISHER HENDRIK TENEUES



It is with profound sadness that the teNeues Media Group announces the death of Publisher Hendrik teNeues, who passed away in Munich on Wednesday, October 9th, 2019. His family, friends, and all the staff at teNeues are deeply shocked by his sudden death.

Hendrik teNeues was born in Krefeld, Germany in 1952. After studying in Cologne and Munich, he moved to the USA, where he founded the American subsidiary, teNeues Publishing, in the early 1980s. He returned to Germany in the mid-1990s to work at the company headquarters in Kempen, taking charge of the company with his brother, Sebastian, in 1999. In 2014–2015, the books division became an independent entity operating under the name teNeues Media GmbH & Co. KG and teNeues Verlag GmbH & Co. KG (new name: teNeues Calendars & Stationery GmbH & Co. KG) was sold. From March 2018, Hendrik teNeues held all the shares in the book publisher, which has several offices in Germany and abroad, either directly or through a holding company. Over the last few years, Hendrik teNeues had been spending more and more time working from the company's Munich office.

Health problems had recently forced him to gradually withdraw from the operational side of the business and to hand his duties over to the five-strong management team led by longstanding managing director Uwe Kießling.

“On behalf of all my family, I would like to express my deep sadness and disbelief at the sudden death of my brother Hendrik, with whom I had always enjoyed a very trusting professional relationship, which saw us work as equals despite our age difference. We were very close friends both before and during the time we spent working together at the publishing house. We will continue to keep his business legacy alive and to build on his body of work just as he would have wanted.”

Sebastian teNeues

“We are profoundly shaken by the death of Hendrik teNeues and would like to extend our sincerest sympathy to his family. We are all committed to ensuring that business carries on as usual. The family and Advisory Board have every confidence that the global management team and staff can make this possible in the wake of this sad news. It is both our privilege and duty to continue the life work of Hendrik teNeues just as he would have wanted.”

Uwe Kießling
CFO