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*“Adaptability is the critical CLIQ ingredient. It is ideal for dispersed workforces and complex infrastructure sites with several different types of opening to secure.”*

*Torsten Kant, regional sales manager North-East Germany at ASSA ABLOY*



Administration Software



Keys



Cylinders

### Project

**Company:** Stadtwerke Kiel AG  
([www.stadtwerke-kiel.de](http://www.stadtwerke-kiel.de))

**Type:** Utility provider

**Location:** Kiel, Germany

**Devices installed:** Approximately 10,000 cylinders  
VERSO CLIQ®

**Year of installation:** 2009–2012

### Challenge

Stadtwerke Kiel AG, or SWK, has supplied energy to Schleswig-Holstein’s regional capital, Kiel, and its surrounding municipalities for decades. Businesses and households in a city of almost quarter-of-a million people rely on SWK for electricity, gas, water and district heating supply.

Now a public–private enterprise operating in Germany’s liberated energy markets, the company sought a modern, flexible locking system to meet its complex and rapidly developing security needs. Key requirements included:

- A locking system flexible enough to assign different areas individual levels of security and to give employees and contractors fine-grained, personalized access to only the areas for which they have authorization
- A system that could be installed quickly and at a relatively low price
- Locks and other security equipment that would be resistant to extremes of temperature and other weather conditions

### Solution

Stadtwerke Kiel AG chose the CLIQ mechatronic locking system, installing around 10,000 locking cylinders to secure multiple sites in the Kiel area. CLIQ combines the best of electronic access control and mechanical security to provide optimum protection for critical infrastructure. Each lock’s power is provided by the battery inside the programmable CLIQ key, meaning no wiring is needed when fitting CLIQ cylinders – a particular advantage in securing remote or outdoor openings. No wires means fast, affordable installation comes as standard, too. Flexibility is another crucial CLIQ ingredient. The CLIQ range includes cylinders designed for doors, gates, windows, flaps, machines, postboxes and many other structures both indoors and outdoors, including for explosion-prone areas. With CLIQ installed, administrators can now issue and modify access authorizations right down to the individual level, for employees and temporary contractors working time-limited shifts across SWK’s multiple sites. And if one of them loses a key? That’s no problem for CLIQ. The company simply revokes the key’s authorizations from the system, and there’s no need to waste time and expense changing the locks.

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