

Press Release

Change of Managing Director at LASER 2000 France: **Stefan Neumair takes over the management**

Saint-Nom la Bretèche, Wednesday, 1 October 2008 Stefan Neumair, Managing Director and CFO at LASER 2000 GmbH in Germany, takes over the Management of the French sister company LASER 2000 SAS on 1 October 2008. At the same time, Dr. Andreas Hornsteiner is appointed Divisional Manager of Sales and Marketing in France.

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Stefan Neumair is thus replacing Jean-Pierre Durand, the long-standing Managing Director. Durand is retiring from the Group's management for reasons of age; he will continue to serve the French trading firm for optical components and systems as consultant.

LASER 2000 expresses its thanks to Jean-Pierre Durand for his great commitment during the past 17 years, and wishes him and his family all the best for the future.

With Stefan Neumair, LASER 2000 France has placed an experienced and successful Managing Director in the lead, who has been managing the business of the German affiliate extremely successful for 14 years. The continuous stable growth and financial security of LASER 2000 on the French market is thus guaranteed.

Dr. Andreas Hornsteiner, who has been successfully responsible for the network and LWL division at LASER 2000 Germany since 1997, takes over the management of Sales and Marketing in France. Marketing activities will, in future, be planned and implemented mutually. LASER 2000 Germany is pleased about this new task, and the possibility to actively support the European partnership idea.

About LASER 2000:

Laser 2000 was founded in Munich in 1986 by Armin Luft. The objective in setting up the company was to offer the customer the most innovative "optical technologies" products of leading providers around the world from a single source. Laser 2000 has been serving European research laboratories and industries involved in photonics for more than 20 years, and has extended its sales force across Europe with sister companies in U.K., France, the Benelux countries, Spain and Sweden. The Laser 2000 range of offers is characterized by a high standard of innovation and excellent reliability.

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