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# Linus Zoller new Managing Director of Photonic Sense GmbH.

Linus Zoller becomes the new Managing Director of Photonic Sense GmbH. He will take control of the Eisenach-based company November 14th, 2011. The previous Manager, Hendrikus Nijssen, is leaving the company to pursue new professional opportunities.

Linus Zoller assumes operational and strategic management functions of Photonic Sense GmbH, effective as of November 14<sup>th</sup> this year. With a proven record of international management experience, he will add value to Photonic Sense GmbH. Having held a variety of management positions in technology companies of the optics industry for more than 25 years, Linus Zoller brings in comprehensive expert knowledge in the field of optical and opto-electronic technologies. Most recently, he was acting as the CEO for a renowned Swiss optics manufacturer, where he has been in charge of R&D, manufacturing and sales for optical assemblies and systems. As a native of Switzerland, Linus Zoller graduated from Zurich University in the field of natural sciences.

He is able to capitalize on a wealth of expertise, notably, in the military & defense applications business. Together with the Photonic Sense team he will focus on breaking new strategic ground for the company and creating new business opportunities in the industrial applications area in addition to handling the established Defense & Security core business. "I am really looking forward to the challenge of further strengthening Photonic Sense's standing as a globally renowned manufacturer of high-grade germanium and silicon components for infrared applications " says Linus Zoller. "With extensive know-how in technological engineering and powerful production facilities, the company is placed in a very good starting position to gain new market shares."

Linus Zoller replaces Hendrikus Nijssen who has managed the business of Photonic Sense since 2006. Mr. Nijssen is retiring as Company Manager on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011, by mutual consent, in order to pursue new professional challenges outside of Jenoptik. The Managing Board wishes to thank Mr. Nijssen for his successful efforts in establishing the Company in the international market.

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## **About Photonic Sense**

Photonic Sense GmbH was established in 2003 and has been a company of Jenoptik's Optical Systems division since 2006. On about 4,000 square metres the company offers production facilities for the production of germanium monocrystals up to a diameter of 500 mm and CNC processing machines for the production of optics made of germanium and silicon — from the prototype to the series product. State-of-the-art technologies, production and measurement equipment as well as the utilization of company-wide synergies round-off the offer and guarantee high product quality. Photonic Sense GmbH is one of few companies in the world that develop and manufacture optical components made of germanium or silicon. The products are used in infrared spectral range applications, e.g. in thermographic cameras, night vision systems, fire fighting equipment and industrial monitoring cameras. They can be used as filters in analytical and measuring systems, as mirrors in IR laser systems or as windows for remote temperature measurement.

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