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Dr Alexander Sagel switches to executive board of Rheinmetall Defence, takes over as head of Weapon and Ammunition division

Dr Alexander Sagel, until now head of the Hardparts division at Rheinmetall Automotive, assumed overall responsibility for the Weapon and Ammunition division of the Group's Defence arm effective 1 April 2018. In his new position he simultaneously serves on the executive board of Rheinmetall Defence, reporting directly to the chairman, Armin Papperger. The division consists of three business units: Weapon and Munition, Propulsion Systems, and Protection Systems.

Dr Sagel, 47, originally comes from near Kassel, Germany. He studied material sciences at the Technical University in Berlin as well as at the California Institute of Technology, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the University of Wisconsin–Madison before earning his doctorate from the University of Ulm. Afterwards he worked at Daimler AG for seven years, holding various executive posts in research and development as well as in sales. Dr Sagel joined Rheinmetall Automotive in 2005, serving in a number of leadership positions in the Hardparts division, which he ultimately headed.

Rheinmetall Defence's Weapon and Ammunition division is a world-renowned technology leader, supplying an extensive range of products and services in the large- and medium-calibre domain. These include the 120mm smoothbore main armament of the Leopard 2 main battle tank, the 155mm gun of the PzH 2000 self-propelled howitzer, and the state-of-the-art 30mm automatic cannon of the Bundeswehr's new Puma infantry fighting vehicle.

The division also sets the global standard for service and practice ammunition, supplying a vast variety of calibres as well as the accompanying propellant systems. In addition, the armed forces and law enforcement agencies of many nations place their trust in the division's pyrotechnic expertise.

Furthermore, Rheinmetall produces components and systems for protecting ground vehicles, aircraft, ships and other assets, offering a wide spectrum of highly effective active, passive and soft-kill solutions.

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