

## **Press Release**

# Dr. Wolfgang Ullrich new CEO of Schneider-Kreuznach

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Dr. Wolfgang Ullrich took over as CEO of Jos. Schneider Optische Werke GmbH on 1 April 2020. He succeeds Dr. Thomas Kessler, whose contract regularly expired on 31 December 2019. In the meantime, the company has been managed by Heiko Kober (CFO) as interim CEO as well as Dirk Christian and Frank Jocham as authorized representatives. "We are delighted that Dr. Ullrich has joined us as an experienced image processing and sensor specialist. He will be able to contribute his expertise especially in the areas of automation technology, robotics, the semiconductor industry and medical technology, and help to move Schneider-Kreuznach forward," said Dr. Walther Neussel, Chairman of the Advisory Board of Jos. Schneider Optische Werke GmbH. The group intends to continue its strategic focus on industrial applications, cine and photo optics. "Optical technology is a key technology for the future, and we want to support our customers in this area as a reliable and innovative partner. I am looking forward to the new challenge, especially as the Schneider-Kreuznach brand enjoys an excellent global reputation," said Dr. Wolfgang Ullrich.

Dr. Wolfgang Ullrich worked at a subsidiary of Jenoptik AG from 1999 to 2008, first as Head of R&D, then as Managing Director (CEO). In 2008 he joined Grenzebach Algoscan as Managing Director (CEO). Since 2013 he has been Business Division Manager at Sturm Maschinen- & Anlagenbau.

### About the Schneider Group:

The Schneider Group specializes in developing, producing and manufacturing high-performance lenses and filter systems for industrial applications, cine and photography. It also offers high-quality precision mechanics and servo hydraulics. The company's main brand "Schneider-Kreuznach" stands for state-of-the-art technology from Germany. The group has been a world market leader in the field of high-performance lenses for many years. The Schneider Group consists of Jos. Schneider Optische Werke GmbH founded in Bad Kreuznach in 1913, and its subsidiaries Pentacon (Dresden), Schneider Optics (New York, Los Angeles), Schneider Asia Pacific (Hong Kong) and Schneider Optical Technologies (Shenzhen). The Schneider Group has around 550 employees worldwide, including 350 at its German headquarters.

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