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## **Press Release**

# **Zschimmer & Schwarz successfully completes management change**

**Dr Christoph Riemer takes over the management of the globally operating Zschimmer & Schwarz Group as Chief Executive Officer**

**Lahnstein, 2 January 2023** – As already announced in the press release from 24 June 2022, Dr Christoph Riemer has assumed the role of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Zschimmer & Schwarz Group as of 1 January 2023. Together with Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Dietmar Clausen and Chief Operating Officer (COO) Dr Felix Grimm, he will determine the future course of the globally operating company group for a successful business development. Zschimmer & Schwarz has thus successfully completed the change of its top management.

The previous General Manager Operations Wolfgang Nowak has left the company at his own request on 31 December 2022 to take on new professional challenges. Dr Martin Haberl, previously General Manager Sales & Marketing, left the General Management at the same time. With his many years of experience, he will continue to be available to Zschimmer & Schwarz in an advisory capacity before retiring, probably in mid-2023.

"With Wolfgang Nowak, Dr Martin Haberl and Dietmar Clausen at the head of Zschimmer & Schwarz, the family business with a long tradition has grown strongly, opened up new sales markets and developed into a globally active supplier of chemical specialities and auxiliaries", says Dr Bernd Reckmann, Chairman of the Advisory Board, in praise of the achievements of the previous General Management. At the same time, he emphasises the management expertise of Dr Christoph Riemer, who has been a member of the General Management since August 2022: "Dr Christoph Riemer is the ideal choice to drive the advancement of the Zschimmer & Schwarz Group. He has the full support of the Advisory Board and the shareholder families for the successful transformation of the company.



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We wish Dr Riemer all the best for his new task as Chief Executive Officer and look forward to continuing our cooperation!"

"I am very proud to have been part of the Zschimmer & Schwarz Group since 1 August. I have used the first few months intensively to gain a good insight into our business divisions, our customer base and our markets, and of course to get to know our national and international locations as well as our employees", says Dr Christoph Riemer. "As a team, we have made it our mission to continue the success story of Zschimmer & Schwarz while at the same time identifying new potential worldwide and opening up further growth markets. Even with all these new impulses, though, we will continue to build on our company's many years of experience and stay true to our family values."



The new Management Board of the Zschimmer & Schwarz Group as of 1 January 2023, from left: Dr Felix Grimm (COO), Dr Christoph Riemer (CEO) and Dietmar Clausen (CFO)



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### **About Zschimmer & Schwarz**

Zschimmer & Schwarz is a global supplier of chemical auxiliaries and specialities headquartered in Lahnstein near Koblenz, Germany. The family business was founded in Chemnitz in 1894 and is positioned across industries with its nine business divisions. The company develops, produces and distributes tailor-made chemical auxiliaries for the leather, fur, ceramic, textile and chemical fibre industries. Manufacturers of cleaning agents, personal care products, paints and coatings, lubricants and industrial applications all over the world trust in the company's chemical specialities as well. The corporate group Zschimmer & Schwarz comprises 28 companies in 16 countries on five continents, 21 of which have their own production facilities.

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