

## Media release

### **Dr. Bernd Voelpel heads Leadec's new digitalization unit**

*Stuttgart – June 5, 2019 – Leadec has created an Innovation Hub: The Smart Factory Group develops digital service offerings and functions as a platform for intensive exchange, also with external technology partners. Dr. Bernd Voelpel will become Global Head of Smart Factory Group effective June 1.*

Digitalization does not only make factories smarter, the relevant services are also increasingly driven by data. Leadec is therefore consistently working on smart solutions for their services. With the Smart Factory Group, Leadec's new digitalization unit, the company has created an Innovation Hub to support the Product Clusters Engineer, Install, Maintain and Support with the new and further development of own digital solutions and business models. To this end, the Smart Factory Group coordinates the development of the digital offerings across the company and functions as a platform for the close exchange between the business units, regions and international technology partners. "It will create synergies, we will increase our innovative strength and strengthen our market position as partner for digitalized services for Industry 4.0," Markus Glaser-Gallion, CEO of the Leadec Group, says about the new Smart Factory Group.

#### **Dr. Bernd Voelpel becomes Global Head**

Dr. Bernd Voelpel will head the Smart Factory Group. In his previous position as General Manager of Luminous Venture, a product field of Philips Lighting (Netherlands), he was responsible for a new business based on embedded and connected lighting concepts. Prior to that Dr. Bernd Voelpel worked for Philips Lighting in multiple functions in Innovations, Corporate Strategy and General Management. "We are pleased to have secured Dr. Voelpel, who is a very experienced and digitally savvy expert, for our digitalization unit," says Markus Hucko, COO of the Leadec Group, to whom the Global Head will report.

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## About Leadec

Leadec is the leading provider of technical services for the automotive and manufacturing industries. The company, which is headquartered in Stuttgart, employs about 20,000 people worldwide. In 2018 Leadec earned sales of around EUR 900 million. For more than 50 years, Leadec has been supporting its customers along the entire production supply chain. The service provider is based at more than 250 sites, often directly at the customers' plants and facilities.

Leadec's global services comprise: Engineer (consulting and engineering), Install (electrical installation, automation, disassembly and reassembly), Maintain (production equipment maintenance and technical cleaning), Support (facility management and internal logistics) as well as other local services. The services are provided either in projects or permanently on site at the customer's premises.

For more information about Leadec go to: [www.leadec-services.com](http://www.leadec-services.com)

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