



Press Release

HIMA appoints Tobias Hoche as new Chief Financial Officer

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HIMA Paul Hildebrandt GmbH has appointed Tobias Hoche as its new Chief Financial Officer with effect from 1 September 2018. The 44-year-old qualified industrial engineer with a Master of Laws succeeds Reinhard Seibold, joining the Executive Board of the family-owned company. With many years of experience in finance and management for international medium-sized technology companies as well as in structure and process optimization, Tobias Hoche is well equipped for his role at the safety specialist HIMA.

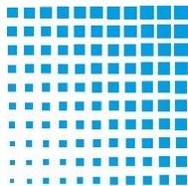
On graduating, Tobias Hoche took up an auditing role at Deloitte & Touche lasting six years. In 2007 he became Head of Accountancy and Controlling for optoelectronics at Carl Zeiss, moving to the position of Commercial Manager of a company in the Carl Zeiss semiconductor division in 2010. After further roles as CFO, his most recent position was as Managing Director, Finance and Production at the Oeltechnik Group in Waghäusel.

“With the appointment of Tobias Hoche, we have gained a top finance expert with a wealth of industry experience,” said HIMA CEO Sankar Ramakrishnan. “His broad-based expertise and managerial experience make him the ideal candidate for leading our financial organisation. I am delighted that Tobias Hoche is now a member of the Executive Board at HIMA, and am in no doubt that he will bring valuable momentum, contributing to the dynamic expansion of the company in his role as CFO.”



Image: Tobias Hoche is the new CFO at HIMA.

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2018 is a special anniversary year for HIMA. For many decades, the safety specialist – founded in 1908 – has played a major role in shaping safety standards and has driven innovations to develop the market for industrial safety. Drawing on 110 years of experience, HIMA develops solutions for the digital industrial age and is ready for the challenges of the future.

About HIMA

The HIMA Group is the world's leading independent provider of smart safety solutions for industrial applications. With more than 35,000 installed TÜV-certified safety systems worldwide, HIMA qualifies as the technology leader in this sector. Its expert engineers develop customized solutions that help increase safety, cyber security and profitability of plants and factories in the digital age. For over 45 years, HIMA has been a trusted partner to the world's largest oil, gas, chemical, and energy-producing companies. These rely on HIMA solutions, services and consultancy for uninterrupted plant operation and protection of assets, people and the environment. HIMA's offering includes smart safety solutions that help increase safety and uptime by turning data into business-relevant information. HIMA also provides comprehensive solutions for the efficient control and monitoring of turbomachinery (TMC), burners and boilers (BMC) and pipelines (PMC). In the global rail industry, HIMA's CENELEC-certified SIL4 COTS safety controllers are leading the way to increased safety, security and profitability. Founded in 1908, the family-owned company operates from over 50 locations worldwide with its headquarters in Bruehl, Germany. With a workforce of approximately 800 employees, HIMA generated a turnover of approximately €126 million in 2016.

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