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### **TDW AND BAYERN-CHEMIE APPOINT NEW MANAGING DIRECTORS**

Ulrich Störchle has been appointed Managing Director of TDW GmbH, the appointment taking effect as of 15th February 2014. He takes over from Helmut Hederer who has been appointed Managing Director of TAURUS Systems GmbH. Dr. Wolfgang Rieck, previously Head of RF-Systems & Data linking at MBDA Deutschland, is taking over from Ulrich Störchle as Managing Director of Bayern-Chemie GmbH as of 15th February 2014.

" Helmut Hederer leaves TDW as a company that is now the recognized European market leader in its field. With its state-of-the-art technologies and concepts such as scalable warheads, the company is now well positioned at all levels to face the challenges that lie ahead", said Thomas Homberg, Managing Director of MBDA Germany GmbH. "With Ulrich Störchle, who has successfully managed the operating business of Bayern-Chemie since November 2008, we have a new, but experienced Managing Director. In his role as Head of RF systems and Data linking, Dr. Wolfgang Rieck made himself the obvious choice to succeed Ulrich Störchle at Bayern-Chemie. We are relying on him to build on the company's strong position as a global technology leader for air breathing, solid propellant ramjet propulsion. This technology is used in the European six-nation METEOR programme, providing the missile with its unique capabilities."

#### **Note to editors**

TDW GmbH is a subsidiary of MBDA Deutschland and is the European leader in effector technologies and effector systems. TDW develops, produces and maintains warheads and warhead systems as well as their associated components. Part of MBDA Deutschland, TDW has around 130 employees at its Schrobenhausen site.

Bayern-Chemie, also part of MBDA Deutschland, is the acknowledged worldwide technological leader in the area of air breathing solid propellant ramjet propulsion. Additionally, Bayern-Chemie has over 50 years of experience in solid fuel missile propulsion. Bayern-Chemie has around 150 employees at its Aschau am Inn site.

MBDA Deutschland is the leading missile systems company in Germany and part of the European MBDA Group. MBDA Deutschland develops, manufactures and provides customer and product support for guided missile systems and subsystems to the Air Force, Army and Navy. Today the company focuses on air defence systems. Around 1,300 persons working at its Schrobenhausen, Ulm and Aschau am Inn facilities.

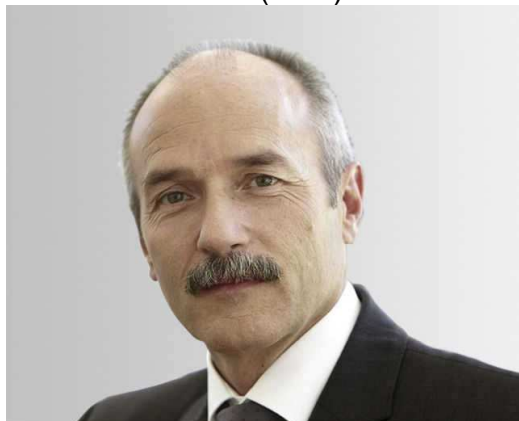


## Press Release

With a significant presence in five European countries and within the USA, in 2012 MBDA achieved a turnover of 3 billion euros with an order book of 9.8 billion euros. With more than 90 armed forces customers in the world, MBDA is a world leader in missiles and missile systems.

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