

## press release

### attocube systems AG: change of leadership

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Since April, 1<sup>st</sup> attocube has a new management board: After 15 successful years with double-digit growth rates, Dr. Dirk Haft and Professor Khaled Karraï, who founded attocube systems in 2001, will now transfer the running of the company to Dr. Martin Zech.

Alongside his new function on the Management Board of WITTENSTEIN AG, Dr. Haft will carry on shaping and guiding the success story of attocube systems AG as Chairman of the Supervisory Board. Professor Karraï will continue to support the company as Scientific Director. As in the past 15 years, he will steer the development of ideas as Innovation Manager and accompany the development processes for new products as Scientific Mentor.

Dr. Martin Zech (born in 1979) will take over as Managing Director of attocube systems AG after seven years at the company and a long track record of collaboration with its founders. He graduated with a doctorate in Physics from the University of Konstanz in 2007. Following two years as a research assistant at Harvard University in Cambridge (Massachusetts), he joined attocube systems AG as Product Manager and Head of Product Management in 2009. Since 2011 he is the company's Chief Technical Officer.

His experience as a scientist and as a product and technology manager means he is ideally equipped to keep attocube systems AG on course for success in the coming years.

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#### about attocube systems AG:

**attocube** was founded in 2001 and develops, produces and distributes a broad portfolio of ultra precise drive technology and measurement instrumentation for most challenging nanotechnology applications. Ground-breaking innovation of the Munich-based company was the development of highly compact nano positioning devices, which were - for the first time ever - adaptable for extreme conditions. In addition, attocube develops scanning probe microscopes used in fundamental research and materials science. Another significant segment of the portfolio is attocube's optical interferometry solutions offering picometer accuracy for various metrology applications.

attocube has already won prestigious prizes and awards, the most important ones being the Bavarian Innovation Award (2006), the German Award for Outstanding Entrepreneurs (2008), and the TOP100 Innovation Award (2013).

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