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NICOLAUS KRÄMER IS THE NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE VDMA PUMPS + SYSTEMS

Frankfurt/Gundelfingen, 11th of May 2023 – Nicolaus Krämer is the new chairman of the VDMA Pumps + Systems trade association. The members voted the Chief Executive and Chief Operating Officer of HERMETIC-Pumpen GmbH into office at the general meeting in Freiburg at the end of April.

Nicolaus Krämer has been supporting the interests of the pump industry for many years – previously as the chairman of the Economic Committee on Pumps. He sees the main points of focus for the next few years in further internationalization of the trade association, the opportunities of digitalization for the branch as well as the challenges posed by climate protection. He sees concrete chances for the branch especially in the "Manufacturing-X" initiative which should enable the development of a secure and independent online data environment for product and production data of the German and European industry. Krämer also aims to push on the work of the Digitalization Work Group under the management of the VDMA Pumps + Systems in the European branch association EUROPUMP.

Dr. Stephan Bross, Chief Technical Officer of KSB SE & Co. KGaA, was appointed Vice-Chairman. The general board of the VDMA Pumps + Systems consists of a total of 15 leading figures of the pump industry.

VDMA Pumps + Systems represents the interests of more than 110 manufacturers in this sector to operator organizations, the public, national and international authorities and other business circles. The trade association is incorporated into the VDMA network with regional subsidiaries and central departments and is guided by the requirements of the branch. The activities of VDMA Pumps + Systems can be found under <u>www.vdma.org/pump-systems</u>.



Nicolaus Krämer, COO & CEO of HERMETIC-Pumpen GmbH



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About HERMETIC

HERMETIC-Pumpen GmbH is a leading developer and manufacturer of hermetically sealed pumps and pumping technologies. The specialists for canned motor pumps have made a name for themselves worldwide with safe and long-lasting pumps, for the most extreme areas of application and the most dangerous pumped media. HERMETIC pumps are suitable for fluid temperatures ranging from -160 °C up to +480 °C and system pressures up to 120 MPa. With power outputs from 1 kW to 690 kW, HERMETIC offers canned motor pumps with the highest capacities on the market. HERMETIC employs around 400 people at its head office in Gundelfingen near Freiburg im Breisgau and over 700 worldwide. The company has offices in China and the USA as well as a global service and contract partner network in over 50 countries. For more information, please visit <u>www.hermetic-pumpen.com</u>.

About VDMA

The VDMA represents 3,600 German and European machine and equipment manufacturing companies. The industry stands for innovation, export orientation and small and medium-sized enterprises. The companies employ a total of about 3 million people in the EU-27, more than 1.2 million of which in Germany alone. The machine and equipment manufacturing branch is therefore the biggest employer among the investment goods industries both in the EU-27 and in Germany. It represents a sales volume of an estimated 860 billion Euro. Around 80 per cent of machines and equipment sold in the EU come from a production site in the Single Market. For more information, please visit <u>www.vdma.org</u>.

