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Change in the management of the Stockert Group

The Stockert Group's management team is repositioning for the future:

Freiburg, May 28, 2024: From June 1, 2024, the Stockert Group will be led by a new CEO. Christoph Gerber, an internationally experienced MedTech manager, will succeed Klaus Welte, who successfully steered the fortunes of the global market leader in heart ablation technology for over seven years. Welte will continue to support the Stockert Group with his experience and expertise as a member of the Advisory Board and thus remains with the company.

With Christoph Gerber, Stockert is gaining an internationally experienced top manager who can look back on over 24 years of experience in various management positions in international companies in the industry. Over the past 17 years, he has worked for the US medical device company Stryker, where he was Managing Director of the Stryker plant in Freiburg for several years. Most recently, Gerber was Vice President in the Manufacturing division, responsible for several production sites worldwide.

The future management team around Christoph Gerber will be complemented by Dr. Colin Corcoran, Director Business Development & Marketing, Dr. Timo Cuntz, CTO, Manuel Kutruff, Head of Supply Chain, Jennifer Beck, Head of HR, and Michael Köbelin, Head of Finance.

The outgoing CEO, Klaus Welte, comments: "I am delighted that we have appointed Christoph Gerber as my successor. He is an extremely experienced and competent leader who will lead the Group to further success in the coming years. This is a major step towards shaping the future of our up-and-coming company."

Christoph Gerber adds: "I am enthusiastic about the innovative strength and potential of the Stockert Group and look forward to continuing the successful development together with the highly qualified and committed team and thus returning to my roots in my home region in Southern Germany after a global career."

As representative of the owner, the Frankfurt-based financial investor Rantum Capital, the Chairman of Stockert's Advisory Board, Gilles Djordjevic, comments:

"We sincerely thank Mr. Welte after 7 years of outstanding leadership of the Stockert Group for all his dedication and example in managing and preserving the unique Stockert corporate culture. We have great respect for his life's work and are delighted that he will continue to be available to us on the Advisory Board with his experience. At the same time, we are delighted to welcome Mr. Christoph Gerber as our new Managing Director. Mr. Gerber brings extensive experience in the MedTech industry as well as a lot of energy and a fresh perspective that will help us to pursue our goals even more dynamically in the future and to break new ground. We are certain that the change in management will be absolutely seamless in human and organizational terms and look forward to a successful collaboration with Mr. Gerber."