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CEO Dr. Christian Göke to terminate his contract early at the end of the year

Coinciding with his twentieth year in the company’s service Dr. Christian Göke, Chief Executive Officer of Messe Berlin GmbH, informed Chairman of the Supervisory Board Wolf-Dieter Wolf of his wish to relinquish his post early. Dr. Göke will remain in charge of the company until the end of the year to ensure a smooth management transition.

"Since April 2000 I have been able to contribute to furthering the development of this company. I was and will always remain grateful for this incredibly fascinating task. The time has now come for a new professional challenge", Dr. Göke said.

Mr. Wolf thanked Dr. Göke for his contribution to successfully developing Messe Berlin. "In 2000, the year that Dr. Göke joined the management of Messe Berlin and took charge of sales operations, the company was not taken seriously by its domestic competitors. As the company’s chief executive officer, Dr. Göke succeeded in propelling it into the TOP 10 of the world’s leading trade fair companies. Today, Messe Berlin is a company held in high regard that operates on the global stage. Its influence on the economic development of Berlin cannot be overstated. For that, I wish to express my thanks to him."

About Messe Berlin

Based on turnover and growth, Messe Berlin is one of the world’s ten leading trade fair companies. Each year it develops, markets and hosts hundreds of live events in Berlin and around the world. Its wide-ranging portfolio includes IFA, InnoTrans, ITB, FRUIT LOGISTICA and the International Green Week, all leading global trade fairs, as well as major conferences and iconic events such as the street celebrations (Fanmeile) at the Brandenburg Gate. Messe Berlin has around 90 foreign representatives who market events in over 170 countries. Each year some 30,000 members of the media from all parts of the world obtain accreditation for events on the exhibition grounds in Berlin where the company has its headquarters. Thus, Messe Berlin acts as a driving force of the metropolis that is Berlin. Its aim is to be an outstanding host for visitors to every event at Messe Berlin, to give individuals an optimum boost for their business and to ensure fair conditions for everyone. This approach is reflected in the company slogan: 'Messe Berlin – Hosting the World'.

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