**Press Release**

**CEO of the SCG Group Takes on Additional Role as CEO of the Power Transmission & Controls Division EMEIA**Florian Butzmann to further strengthen Sumitomo Drive Technologies' position in the EMEIA region.

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Florian Butzmann, CEO of Sumitomo (SHI) Cyclo Drive Germany GmbH and the associated SCG Group, assumes the additional role of CEO for the Power Transmission & Controls Division in EMEIA effective January 1, 2024. Power Transmission & Controls (PTC) is the drive solutions business segment of the global Japanese engineering company Sumitomo Heavy Industries, operating under the brand Sumitomo Drive Technologies.

Florian Butzmann succeeds Shaun Dean at PTC EMEIA. Shaun Dean, in turn, will become the Managing Director of the new European location of Sumitomo Heavy Industries in Amstelveen, near Amsterdam.

Florian Butzmann, the new CEO of PTC EMEIA, states: “We aim to further strengthen the position of Sumitomo Drive Technologies as a leader in drive solutions in the EMEIA region. Our success lies in the diversity of our contributions, from high-tech precision machinery to environmentally friendly plant facilities.”

In addition to Florian Butzmann, the PTC EMEIA headquarters team has been reinforced since the beginning of the year by Cesare Savini, CEO of the Lafert Group, and Adrian Ellam, CEO of Invertek Drives. Alongside representatives from the parent company Sumitomo Heavy Industries, responsible for finance, compliance, and business development, central holding functions such as strategy, marketing, digitization, and human resources will also be located there.

**Sumitomo Drive Technologies Relies on Proven Expertise**

Florian Butzmann will continue to operate from the Markt Indersdorf location near Munich and retain his CEO role at Sumitomo (SHI) Cyclo Drive Germany GmbH and the SCG Group. In recent years, the SCG Group has experienced significant growth through strategic acquisitions, including the industrial gear pioneer Hansen Industrial Transmission International (HIT) and the Spanish service and industrial gear expert Sociedad Industrial de Transmisiones SA (SIT). The global brand Sumitomo Drive Technologies also includes the Lafert Group, a leading manufacturer of custom solutions in electromotors and drives, and Invertek Drives, a globally leading provider of frequency inverters.

The origins of Sumitomo Drive Technologies in EMEIA date back to the 1930s when German engineer Lorenz Braren invented the unique Cyclo principle and founded the first Cyclo company. Since then, Sumitomo Drive Technologies has been serving the European region through local sales and support for a variety of customers from different industries with standard or custom solutions.

**Career of Florian Butzmann**

Diploma engineer Florian Butzmann joined Sumitomo Drive Technologies in 2012 as Sales Director for Europe, the Middle East, and Africa, successfully holding various key positions within the company since then. In 2016, he finally assumed the position of CEO of Sumitomo (SHI) Cyclo Drive Germany GmbH and its subsidiaries. Thus, he brings not only comprehensive industry experience but has also significantly contributed to the successful integration of the Lafert Group and Invertek Drives into the corporate group.

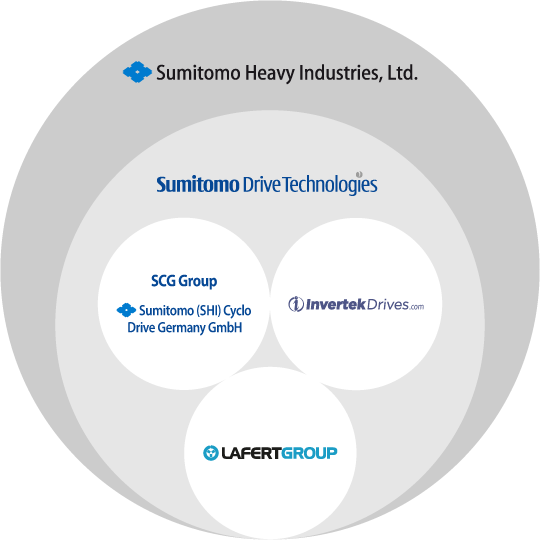
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**Florian Butzmann, CEO of PTC EMEIA and the SCG Group, Takes on Responsibility for the Future of Drive Technology.**



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**The Matrix Structure of Sumitomo Drive Technologies – A Strong Foundation for Innovation and Global Growth**

**About Sumitomo Drive Technologies**

Sumitomo Drive Technologies' products and solutions power and support processes, systems, and machinery across a wide range of industries. With its global product and service portfolio, the company has been combining tradition and innovation for over 140 years, ensuring that drives do their job accurately and reliably. Its offering encompasses precision drives, standard drives, industrial gearboxes, and centrifuges, as well as complete modular drive matrices and connected solutions for the automation of Industry 4.0, ranging from standard products to highly specialized developments and customized adaptations.

**Drive technology that is close to customers worldwide**

Sumitomo Drive Technologies' extensive network of 10 production sites, over 30 assembly plants, 250 sales offices, and around 7,000 employees spread across five continents ensures that it is closely aligned with local customer requirements around the globe.

Sumitomo Drive Technologies is part of Sumitomo Heavy Industries Ltd., one of the largest corporate groups in Japan and worldwide, with annual sales of over €7 billion in 2022.

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