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Robert Franz Appointed CEO of Allied Vision and the German 2D Vision Group of TKH

New CEO to drive expansion of Allied Vision’s and TKH´s leadership position in the Vision Industry

*Stadtroda, Germany, February 27, 2023* – Allied Vision Technologies GmbH (“Allied Vision”), part of TKH Group NV, has appointed Robert Franz as its CEO. Together with this new role, Robert Franz will also assume the CEO role for the German 2D Vision companies within the TKH Group, which include industry leading players such as Chromasens, NET, SVS-Vistek, Mikrotron and Nerian. These companies all operate under the TKH Vision umbrella. With the appointment of Robert Franz, both the Management Board of Allied Vision and the German 2D Vision group management are strengthened with a strong leader with extensive experience in strategy, sales, marketing, and product management.

Robert Franz joins with extensive experience in companies with an automation background and within the vision industry, including running Honeywell`s Global Optical Sensing business, leading the Americas region as President for Rittal, and as Sr. Vice President Global Sales & Marketing at Datalogic S.p.A. Robert Franz studied Law and obtained a Master of Business Administration (MBA) at the TIAS Business school in Utrecht (NL).

“I am honored by this nomination and the trust put in me by the TKH Group”, said Franz. “I look forward to working with a great team to develop both Allied Vision and TKH Vision’s products and strategy, and to continue to grow the business together”.

“With Robert Franz we have found an excellent candidate with a strong background in strategy, sales and product management who will take over the CEO role at Allied Vision per 1 January 2023”, said Alexander van der Lof, Chairman and CEO of TKH Group.

**Allied Vision company profile**For more than 30 years, Allied Vision has been helping people to reach their imaging goals. Allied Vision supplies camera technology and image capture solutions for industrial inspection, medical and scientific imaging, traffic monitoring and many more application areas in digital imaging. With a deep understanding of customers’ needs, Allied Vision finds individual solutions for every application, a practice which has made Allied Vision one of the leading camera manufacturers worldwide in the machine vision market.

The company has nine locations in Germany, Canada, the United States, Singapore and China and is represented by a network of sales partners in over 30 countries. Allied Vision is member of the TKH Group.

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