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**Press Release**

## **Michael Pöllmann Heads New Global Sales Division at Messe München International**

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### **- German and Worldwide Sales brought together in a New Division**

Messe München International has restructured its German and worldwide sales operations. As of the beginning of 2012, all sales activities are now managed from a new division, Global Sales. Heading this organizational unit is Michael Pöllmann (44).

The new 30-strong division comprises the three departments of Sales Germany, Media Sales and Global Sales Management. The latter is responsible for the worldwide sales activities of the foreign representatives and regional offices of Messe München International in over 90 countries. For the departments of Sales Germany and Media Sales, Pöllmann reports to the Deputy CEO of Messe München, Norbert Bargmann; for Global Sales Management, he reports to the Managing Director, Eugen Egetenmeir.

Norbert Bargmann: "In this new sales unit, we have created the organizational and personnel set-up for targeted growth at home and abroad." Each year over 30,000 exhibitors from Germany and around the world take part in the events held in Munich and in the trade shows organized by Messe München International outside Germany. Eugen Egetenmeir again: "With this more targeted strategic management, we are aiming to leverage our global sales potential more strongly. And we expect that this will also generate a considerable improvement in results in the medium term."

The new Executive Director Global Sales, Michael Pöllmann, has been working at Messe München for thirteen years, one of his achievements during that time being to successfully set up and expand Sales Germany. Prior to this, Pöllmann, a graduate in business administration (University of Applied Sciences, Munich), gained seven years' experience in marketing and sales, in various positions including, for example, on the agency side and in a Japanese and an American company. Since 2004 Michael Pöllmann has also been a guest lecturer on the subject of exhibition management at the University of Munich.

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