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New Vice President System Innovation at Interroll

Sant'Antonino, Switzerland, January 9, 2020. Dr. Christian Ripperda took over the lead of Interroll's global innovation activities in the newly created function of Vice President System Innovation as of January 1, 2020.

In his new role, 39-year-old Ripperda will lead and coordinate Interroll's global innovation activities, which integrate the Interroll Project and Development Center (IPDC), Interroll's Global Product Management and the Interroll Intellectual Property strategy as well as the support of all development activities in the group. He reports to Jens Strüwing, Executive Vice President Products & Technology and member of the Interroll Group Management.

Christian Ripperda joins Interroll with 12 years of multidisciplinary research and development (R&D) experience including information technology (IT), electronics and machine vision as well as expertise in product development and strategic business development, with specialty in digitalization (Industry 4.0) and cutting-edge technologies for industrial application. He holds a PhD (Dr. rer. nat) in electrical engineering/physics from the Institute for Semiconductor Electronics of RWTH Aachen in Germany.

Prior to joining Interroll, he was Vice President Technology with ISRA VISION AG (headquartered in Darmstadt, Germany), where since 2014 he was in charge of strategic technology development and the respective product portfolio road map in the field of machine vision solutions. Previous to this, he worked for VDI Technologiezentrum GmbH where he was Strategy Consultant for the long-term innovation strategy development for various clients as well as Technology Consultant for the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research.

"I look forward to working with Christian Ripperda. With his multidisciplinary background and strong R&D track record, he has excellent prerequisites to further boost our innovation approach and provide a vital contribution to Interroll's market-leading platform strategy," says Jens Strüwing, Executive Vice President Products & Technology of the Interroll Group.

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Caption: Since January 1, 2020, Dr. Christian Ripperda heads Interroll's innovation activities as Vice President System Innovation.

About Interroll

The Interroll Group is a leading global provider of material handling solutions. The company was founded in 1959 and has been listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange since 1997. Interroll provides system integrators and OEMs with a wide range of platform-based products and services in these categories: "Rollers" (conveyor rollers), "Drives" (motors and drives for conveyor systems) and "Conveyors & Sorters", as well as "Pallet & Carton Flow" (flow storage systems). Interroll solutions are used in express and postal services, e-commerce, airports, the food and beverage industry, fashion, and automotive sectors, and many other manufacturing industries. Among the end users are leading brands such as Amazon, Bosch, Coca-Cola, DHL, Nestlé, Procter & Gamble, Siemens, Walmart and Zalando. Headquartered in Switzerland, Interroll has a global network of 32 companies with sales of CHF 559.9 million and around 2,300 employees (end of 2018).

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