



# Press release

# Salzburg Machine Tool Specialist complements Management Team: Stefan Hansch appointed as Managing Director of the EMCO Group

Hallein, October 09, 2008. On October 1, Stefan Hansch joined the Management Team of Salzburg machine tool manufacturer EMCO, a subsidiary of the stock market listed A-TEC Industries AG. Dr. Hansch will take over from Ewald Gattermayr, acting Managing Director since March, who will return to A-TEC Industries in December in his capacity as the CEO of Mechanical Engineering Holding GmbH and member of the Board of Directors of the EMCO Group. Dr. Hansch, who will be responsible for Development, Production, Marketing, Sales and Service within the EMCO Group, will be a real asset to the Management Team. CFO Peter Vidounig has been responsible for Accounts, Controlling, IT and Human Resources since 2004.

"I am highly motivated and looking forward to my new duties. I hope to contribute to the success of the whole Group with my many years' experience in the engineering sector," said CEO Stefan Hansch. Gattermayr has high expectations of this new appointment: "With Dr. Hansch we have gained a highly regarded sector expert for our team. In addition to increasing productivity through process optimization, he will reinforce the group concept through bringing together all the factories and encouraging an open communication and error management culture. Emphasizing and increasing team thinking and team spirit is top priority."

Dr. Stefan Hansch gained his doctorate in engineering at the Technical University of Chemnitz, majoring in machine tool design. He then worked as Design Manager and Engineering Manager for Heckert, amongst others, before taking over management of the "Engineering and Production" department at Honsberg Lamb in Remscheid. In 2000, Dr. Hansch became Technical Director and later Chief Executive Officer at Alfing Kessler Sondermaschinen.





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### About EMCO

The Salzburg machinery company EMCO is one of the leading manufacturers of machine tools in Europe. Its two commitments "Made in the Heart of Europe" and "Design to Cost" are the main factors in the success of the international company, which stands for functional design and the highest quality standards. EMCO is part of A-TEC Industries AG and currently employs around 875 staff at a total of 5 production facilities in Austria, Germany, Italy and the Czech Republic.

#### **About A-TEC Industries**

A-TEC INDUSTRIES AG, listed on the Vienna Stock Exchange, is an international industrial group with head office in Vienna, with a successful track record in drive technology, systems and machine tool design, and minerals and metals. The Group currently employs around 13,800 staff and achieved a turnover of around 2.4 billion euros in financial year 2007.

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