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Koelnmesse:

Herbert Marner extends contract by one year

Chief of Finance and Infrastructure to stay until May 2022

Herbert Marner (65), Koelnmesse Chief Financial Officer, will extend his contract by one year and stay with the company until May 2022. Marner is thus following the express wish of management and the Supervisory Board.

“The current crisis will be with the trade fair business for some time to come. I think it is good that Herbert Marner is continuing to support Cologne as a trade fair and business location on the road back to a functioning economic environment,” says Cologne’s Mayor Henriette Reker, Chairwoman of the Supervisory Board.

Koelnmesse CEO Gerald Böse: “It is important in the current situation to be able to rely on experience and to maintain continuity in key areas of management: the financial processes for coping with the economic consequences of the crisis and our investment programme Koelnmesse 3.0 are crucial factors for the future competitiveness of Koelnmesse. We are delighted that he will remain by our side.”

Herbert Marner himself says: “I see myself as part of a strong Koelnmesse team. Before coronavirus, we were on a very good path towards long-term success, together with our shareholders. We want to overcome the crisis together and continue to build on this. I am happy to stay on board to play a part in this.”

Marner joined Koelnmesse in 2001 from the communications industry as Commercial Director. Since then, he has worked intensively on the economic turnaround of the company, the expansion of digital processes and the planning and implementation of the Koelnmesse 3.0 investment programme for the redesign of the exhibition centre. This programme will see more than 700 million euro invested in the modernisation and forward-looking expansion of the trade fair site by the end of 2030. Today, Marner is responsible for Finance and Controlling, Facility Management and IT as well as Purchasing and Internal Services at Koelnmesse. He is also Vice President Treasurer on the Board of the European Major Exhibition Centres Association (EMECA).

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About Koelnmesse:

Koelnmesse generated more than 400 million euro in revenue worldwide in 2019 and has a workforce of more than 1,000 people. As a city trade fair location in the heart of Europe, it is home to the third-largest trade fair grounds in Germany and ranks among the top ten in the world, with approximately 400,000 m² of hall space and outdoor area. Each year, Koelnmesse organises and manages around 80 trade fairs, guest events and special events in Cologne and in the most important markets all over the world.

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