

**PRESS RELEASE**

## **Bernd Baumunk: 40-year Connection with Technology and Lumberg**

**Schalksmühle, June 7, 2016.** The owner families, represented by Wilhelm Helbert and the current generation of owners, Meike and Ulrich Schmidt thanked Bernd Baumunk during a small celebration shared with close colleagues and companions, for an anniversary which nowadays is anything but ordinary.

In April 1977, Baumunk's application reached Lumberg on Hälverstraße. He arrived just one day after his holiday for a spontaneous interview -- and only 24 hours later, on May 1, he was hired as an MTM specialist (Methods-Time Measurement) by the then managing director at Lumberg, Werner Turck.

Shortly after, in the early 80s, he became the head of Production Planning and then in 1995, the head of Planning and Technology. As of 1998, Bernd Baumunk was the Director of the booming mobile telephony business unit, for which Lumberg perfected especially the micro-contact elements – and which to this day has remained one of the domains of the connector maker, with production sites in Schalksmühle, Cloppenburg and Poland's Świebozin.

In 2002, Baumunk joined the technical management of Lumberg Connect and set impulses with Wilhelm Helbert beyond the connector segment with the development of complex, customized sub-assemblies, with both men being in charge of the entire technology segment.

Since 2012, the 64-year old has been taking things somewhat easier, but not without contributing his expertise and close ties with customers in the capacity of a consultant toward the company's development and as a member of the management. He joins the Lumberg Group regularly at the headquarters and volunteers solid advice on strategies and the targeted acquisition of new customers. To this day, he remains very hands-on and enjoys getting his foot in the door of large-scale projects.

Meike Schmidt, managing partner of Lumberg Group, together with her husband, Ulrich, who nowadays is mainly responsible for the technology segment of the globally-operating Lumberg Group as the general manager, handed the anniversary certificate from the Chamber of Industry and Commerce to Bernd Baumunk and could not resist thanking the aficionado of fast sports cars for his extraordinary loyalty and valuable contribution toward the corporate development of Lumberg by presenting him with a special gift for a short trip.

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**The following media kit is attached to this press release:**

**Photo 1:** LUMBERG – Bernd Baumunk 40 Years with the Company.jpg



left to right: Meike Schmidt, Managing Partner Lumberg Group, Jubilarian Bernd Baumunk, Ulrich Schmidt, Managing Director Lumberg Group

**About Lumberg Group:**

Lumberg Group, headquartered in Schalksmühle, Germany, ranks among the leading providers of connector and interconnect systems. Core areas of expertise include R&D, manufacturing and the worldwide sales of electromechanical and mechatronic components. For more than 80 years now, the Group's skills have broadened from manufacturing connectors and challenging micro-contact elements, to developing complex mechatronic assemblies, to customer-specific engineering and technical design services for all industries. In-depth application expertise led to strong partnerships in the automotive, home appliance, building technology, communications and consumer electronic industries. Family-run in the third generation, the company has a global workforce of around 1,200. Subsidiaries in Europe, America and Asia form a dense sales network. In 2016, the Group's turnover totaled some Euro 125m. Over 20,000 catalog and customized products are proof of the company's efficiency.

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