

Press Release

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Martin Back to Succeed François Minec as Managing Director of BASF 3D Printing Solutions

After three years as Managing Director of BASF 3D Printing Solutions GmbH, François Minec has decided to leave the company effective May 31, 2022. Mr. Minec has held this position since April 2019 and set the company on a growth track by accelerating the commercialization of Additive Manufacturing. In the future, he will continue his commitment to industrializing Additive Manufacturing and stay in the industry.

As of August 1, 2022, Mr. Martin Back will take over as Managing Director of BASF 3D Printing Solutions. “I am honored to take over responsibility at BASF 3D Printing Solutions. I am thrilled to actively contribute to the growth of the Additive Manufacturing business together with our global customer base and established partner network”, says Martin Back. With 25 years of industry experience in management roles, Martin Back is intimately familiar with the Additive and Manufacturing industries, having already served as Managing Director of BigRep GmbH from 2018 to 2021.

Volker Hammes, Managing Director BASF New Business GmbH and Chairman of BASF 3D Printing Solutions GmbH, will ensure a smooth transition period. Mr. Minec will support Mr. Back during the start of his new role. The strategic direction of BASF 3D Printing Solutions will remain unchanged and continue aiming at industrializing

Additive Manufacturing in close cooperation with many partners of the AM industry, i.e., machine manufacturers, service bureaus, and distributors.

About BASF 3D Printing Solutions

BASF 3D Printing Solutions GmbH, headquartered in Heidelberg, Germany, is a 100% subsidiary of BASF New Business GmbH. It focuses on establishing and expanding the business under the Forward AM brand with advanced materials, system solutions, components and services in the field of 3D printing. BASF 3D Printing Solutions is organized into startup-like structures to serve customers in the dynamic 3D printing market. It cooperates closely with the global research platforms and application technologies of various departments at BASF as well as with research institutes, universities, startups, and industrial partners. Potential customers are primarily companies that intend to use 3D printing for industrial manufacturing. Typical industries include automotive, aerospace, and consumer goods. For further information please visit: www.forward-am.com.

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