

PRESS RELEASE

A-TEC Industries and Victory dismantle cross-holdings

Vienna, 30 January 2006 – In a major restructuring exercise, steps have been taken to achieve a clear legal separation of A-TEC Industries AG and Victory Industriebeteiligung AG, which owns more than 50% of Unaxis AG through shareholdings and options.

In connection with these transactions Mirko Kovats' M.U.S.T. private trust has acquired 19.5% of the shares in A-TEC Industries held by Ronny Pecik's RPR private trust. The M.U.S.T. private trust now holds a 69.5% plus one share interest in A-TEC Industries, while the RPR private trust has a stake of 23% less one share, and Christian Schmidt's Loidolt private trust owns 7.5%.

For its part the M.U.S.T. trust is selling its 1/3 interest in Victory Industriebeteiligung AG — which holds a majority in Unaxis through shares and options — in equal parts of 16.67% to Georg Stumpf's Millennium trust and the RPR trust, respectively. As a result Victory Industriebeteiligung AG will henceforth be a 50:50 joint venture between the Millennium and RPR trust.

These restructuring moves have brought ownership of the companies concerned into line with the clear division of managerial responsibilities which has already been effected. Mirko Kovats will thus be concentrating on the development of A-TEC Industries, and Georg Stumpf and Ronny Pecik on developing Unaxis.

About A-TEC Industries

A-TEC Industries AG is a privately owned, international Vienna-based industrial group with successful drive systems, plant engineering, metallurgical and machine tool operations. The group currently employs around 10,000 people in Austria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Italy, Serbia and Montenegro, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland and the UK, as well as Australia, China, India and the USA.

For further information visit www.a-tecindustries.at.

About Victory Industriebeteiligung AG

Victory Industriebeteiligung AG is an Austrian investment company that unites industrial and investment banking know-how. It is a 50:50 joint venture between Georg Stumpf's Millennium private foundation and Ronny Pecik's RPR private foundation, and holds a majority in Unaxis AG through shares and options. Unaxis, which has a total workforce of 6,800, is active in the thin film, vacuum and aerospace industries.

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