

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

# **Hyperion Materials and Technologies Names Thomas Dötsch Vice President and Managing Director of AFC Hartmetall**

MAINLEUS, Germany —Hyperion Materials & Technologies announced today that Thomas Dötsch will be appointed the new Vice President and Managing Director of AFC Hartmetall. An experienced business leader, Thomas Dötsch will succeed Ralf Greifzu and assume responsibilities on Monday, Feb. 1, 2021.

“Since Ralf Greifzu joined AFC, he has been a valuable and well-respected member of our team,” said Ron Voigt, chief executive officer, Hyperion Materials & Technologies. “He was appreciated by his co-workers and customers of AFC Hartmetall. The work and contribution, including the extended hours of dedication, are greatly appreciated. We respect his decision and wish him all the best in his future endeavors. On behalf of everyone at Hyperion and AFC, please let us all wish Ralf Greifzu good luck for the future and bid him a happy farewell.”

Prior to joining Hyperion, Thomas Dötsch held several leadership roles within the manufacturing industry. He served as Vice President and Managing Director of a manufacturing company that serves the automotive market and general industry applications.

“Thomas Dötsch is an excellent fit and will be a strong asset for AFC Hartmetall,” Voigt said. “His experience driving excellence in operations as well as a proven track record in operations and sales will set up AFC for success in 2021 and beyond.”

**Media Contact:**

Tanja Bär ([Tanja.Baer@afcarbide.com](mailto:Tanja.Baer@afcarbide.com))

**About AFC Hartmetall**

AFC is a global solutions provider in premium cemented carbide rod blanks used in the manufacture of high precision rotary cutting tools for drilling and milling applications. AFC's unique technologies and engineering capabilities enable customers to achieve differentiated performance in highly demanding applications. Based in Mainleus, Germany, AFC has 190 employees and sales globally in over 30 countries.

**About Hyperion Materials & Technologies**

Hyperion Materials & Technologies is a global leader in hard and super-hard materials with more than 60 years of experience in cemented carbide, diamond and cubic boron nitride technologies. Hyperion specializes in premium base materials, toolmaker components, engineered products, and process tools and solutions for the most demanding applications. With about 1,600 employees, Hyperion has its production footprint in North and South America, Europe and Asia, and sales in more than 70 countries.

— END —