



SMA Solar Technology AG—Press Release

Roland Bent Joins Supervisory Board of SMA Solar Technology AG

Niestetal, February 3, 2015—On January 28, 2015, the Kassel District Court appointed Roland Bent, a member of the management of Phoenix Contact GmbH & Co. KG, to the Supervisory Board of SMA Solar Technology AG (SMA/FWB: S92). This appointment of a new shareholder representative was due to the death of SMA's founder and Chairman of the Supervisory Board Dr.-Ing. h. c. Günther Cramer on January 6, 2015.

The electrical engineer Roland Bent has been a member of the management of Phoenix Contact GmbH & Co. KG, an international market leader in electric connection, interface and automation technology, since 2001. He is in charge of the areas of marketing, product development as well as innovation and technology management. His responsibilities also include managing the company's international research and development centers.

"We are happy to have gained another highly qualified individual for the SMA Supervisory Board in Roland Bent. Phoenix Contact GmbH & Co. KG has been operating successfully in core markets such as Germany, the U.S. and Asia for many years. Therefore, Roland Bent has longstanding experience in an international market environment that is characterized by fierce competition. In addition, SMA will benefit from his extensive expertise in the fields of increasing digitization of industry and innovation management," said Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board Dr. Erik Ehrentraut.

Alongside his work at Phoenix Contact, Roland Bent also has roles in various industrial and scientific organizations such as the German National Platform for Electric Mobility, the German Electrical and Electronic Manufacturers' Association (ZVEI) and the German Commission for Electrical, Electronic & Information Technologies of DIN and VDE (DKE). Since 2010 he has been a guest professor at Tongji University in Shanghai.

The SMA Supervisory Board will elect a new chairman at its meeting on February 11, 2015.

About SMA

The SMA Group generated sales of more than €930 million in 2013 and is the global market leader for solar inverters, a key component of all PV plants. SMA offers innovative key technologies for future power supply structures. It is headquartered in Niestetal, near Kassel, Germany, and is represented in 21 countries. The Group employs more



than 5,000 people worldwide. SMA's broad product portfolio includes a compatible inverter for every type of module on the market and for all plant sizes. The product range includes both inverters for grid-connected photovoltaic plants as well as off-grid and hybrid system technology. The product portfolio is supplemented by comprehensive services and operational management of utility-scale PV plants. Since 2008, the Group's parent company, SMA Solar Technology AG, has been listed on the Prime Standard of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (S92) and also in the TecDAX index.

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