

Takeover of MICRON Screen Production Division of PVF GmbH on January 1, 2018

Christian Koenen continues to extend market leadership

**Ottobrunn near Munich** – The company will expand once again just three years after the successful merger between well-known brands KOENEN GmbH and Christian Koenen GmbH: Christian Koenen will take over the MICRON screen printing division of PVF GmbH, a genuine family business located in Upper Bavaria, on January 1, 2018, a move that will see the company build up its market leadership in the sectors of technical printing screens and precision stencil production for technical printing. Christian Koenen stated, "We want to unite the valuable employee expertise present in both company divisions and our pioneering technologies under one roof so that we can continue to meet the increased expectations of our customers in the future."

PVF GmbH has been producing MICRON® precision screens for over 20 years now – specifically for industrial screen printing applications in high-performance sectors – and supplies to customers throughout Europe. Just like Christian Koenen, the company is characterized by strong innovative power, highest product quality and absolute reliability. This means that partners and customers of Christian Koenen and PVF will profit from the synergy effects of this takeover in numerous ways. They can also look forward to even greater productivity, employee potential and service – while product quality, supported by PVF high-performance mesh, will remain at the highest possible level.

"We are boosting investment in new technologies and modern systems even more through this takeover of the PVF GmbH MICRON® precision screen printing division. As a result, we are able to build a brighter future, with more long-term job security, with more advantages compared to our competitors and with our production site kept in Germany," said Christian Koenen.

Peter V. Fleischer from PVF GmbH remarked, "This concentration on screen printing at Koenen and the focus on mesh technology at PVF will open up new applications and markets in future for industrial, technical screen printing in Europe."