

PRESS RELEASE

## **New R&D Director at SCANLAB**

SCANLAB appoints Christian Sonner to Management Board

**Puchheim, Germany – July 24, 2019 – SCANLAB GmbH, the leading OEM manufacturer of high-quality laser scan systems, has appointed Christian Sonner as head of Research & Development (R&D). The highly experienced control expert will further strengthen the company's market position in digital products and control solutions for the photonics industry.**



Christian Sonner (40) is assuming the role of R&D director at SCANLAB, thereby continuing on the successful work of Norbert Petschik. Under his leadership, the R&D department and its around 70 employees will increasingly focus on highly integrated scan solutions.

Christian Sonner has extensive expertise in developing system solutions, and in his new role he will drive forward interdisciplinary collaboration at SCANLAB.

“I'm very pleased we were able to gain Christian Sonner as our new R&D head and management board member. Over the past few years I've come to know him as a sharp thinker, accomplished technologist and empathetic manager. In view of our customers' growing requirements for complex systems, he's the optimal future-oriented appointee,” comments SCANLAB CEO Georg Hofner.

Since 2013, Christian Sonner had already been the company's software development manager. Under his leadership, the innovative scan control solutions for precSYS and XL SCAN were developed. After earning an applied mathematics degree, he initially specialized in industrial robot controllers, focusing on functionality for redundant kinematics at prior employers such as Kuka.

**Print-quality images** can be downloaded at <https://www.scanlab.de/en/news-events/image-library>

### **Current Tradeshow Calendar:**

**LASER World of Photonics INDIA 2019** from October 17 – 19, 2019 in Mumbai, India.

### **About SCANLAB:**

With over 35,000 systems produced annually, SCANLAB GmbH is the world-leading and independent OEM manufacturer of scan solutions for deflecting and positioning laser beams in three dimensions. Its exceptionally fast and precise high-performance galvanometer scanners, scan heads and scan systems find application in industrial materials processing and the electronics, food and beverage industries, as well as biotech and medical technology.



For over 25 years, SCANLAB has secured its international technology leadership through pioneering developments in electronics, mechanics, optics and software, as well as the highest quality standards.

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