

GENUI acquires majority stake in measurement and control technology specialist Focus on industrial and environmental markets

With the acquisition of the company shares by GENUI GmbH, Hamburg, the GHM GROUP has a new majority shareholder. The investment company GENUI took over the shares of VR-Equitypartner and Bayer LB Private Equity. The transaction is still subject to antitrust and foreign trade clearance. The parties have agreed not to disclose the purchase price.

(Remscheid, Hamburg; December 13, 2021) With its new main shareholder GENUI, the GHM Group will focus its know-how and the associated product range of applications for industry and the environment as well as handheld devices for measurement and control technology more strongly on digital technologies in the future. "Smart measurement and control technology is one of the essential building blocks for efficiency in industrial processes as well as in future energy generation and use when dealing with valuable resources," says Dr. Axel Lamprecht, CEO of GHM Group. "Our innovative technologies in the field of environmental measurement technology - state-of-the-art measurement technology for wind, temperature, humidity as well as sound emissions and gas concentrations - make it possible to monitor the prevailing conditions in industry, commerce and agriculture in each case, thus helping to optimize processes."

The GHM Group, founded in 2009 by merging the companies Greisinger, Honsberg and Martens as a leading specialist in industrial measurement technology, is now also a proven supplier of measurement systems in facilities for producing renewable energy through wind power and photovoltaics thanks to further acquisitions such as Italy's Delta Ohm. In this context, GHM sensors primarily support the increase in energy efficiency and thus the performance of these systems. In Germany, the company is based at three locations; internationally, GHM is represented in more than 50 countries by its own sales offices and trading partners. A total of 270 employees work for the GHM Group.

"The GHM Group has earned a reputation as a provider of high-quality, customized solutions," explains CEO Dr. Axel Lamprecht. "In our portfolio, for example, we have highly reliable instruments using both conventional and state-of-the-art measurement technology. In the future, we want to ensure even more strongly that these not only guarantee superior functionality, but also enable greater customer benefits in networking and system integration. Digitization is enabling us to exploit enormous opportunities in all business areas in this regard."

Sustainable organizational and financial structures as well as further willingness to invest are of key importance for these developments. In addition, the new shareholder structure also provides GHM Group with the opportunity for targeted inorganic growth: "GHM Group was created and has grown as part of a buy & build concept," says Dr. Axel Lamprecht. "We are pleased to now take the next step with GENUI as a future entrepreneurial majority shareholder and, as GHM Group, we are also interested in acquisitions in this respect, provided they fit our strategic orientation."

With the acquisition of GHM Group, GENUI is expanding its portfolio of corporate investments in growth markets that allow a balance of financial, social and environmental added value. "GHM Group is already a successful provider of customized solutions for efficient industrial processes and

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of innovative products in environmental technology," says Nicolas Kollmann of GENUI. "Customers around the world are looking for intelligent approaches to optimize their processes and fulfill them in a more technologically and ecologically advanced way. We want to support GHM Group in positioning itself more strongly in these future fields with considerable potential and in growing sustainably."

With GENUI, the GHM Group can also draw on the expertise of GENUI entrepreneur Hartmut Jenner, CEO of Kärcher, the world market leader for cleaning systems, and Dr. Christian Rolfs, long-standing CEO of Festool, the world's leading manufacturer of power and pneumatic tools. Among other things, both bring extensive experience in the professionalization and digitization of production and sales processes, from which GHM Group can now also benefit within its already initiated change process.

About GENUI:

GENUI is an investment company founded by renowned entrepreneurs and investment professionals. GENUI makes long-term commitments while pursuing its mission to provide sustainable growth and social value. Within the framework of professional governance, companies gain access to individuals with their own experience as entrepreneurs, their relevant expertise and a directly usable network.

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