



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Supervisory Board appoints Jan Hilger to the Management Board of Ahlers AG**

**Jan Hilger (44) joins Management Board of Ahlers AG as third member to take care of procurement, logistics and process optimisation**

Herford, May 6, 2014. The Supervisory Board of Ahlers AG has appointed Jan Hilger member of the company's Management Board with effect from May 1, 2014. He will be in charge of procurement, logistics and process optimisation. Jan Hilger joins CEO Dr. Stella A. Ahlers and CFO Dr. Karsten Kölsch to become the third member of the Board. He was appointed to the Management Board in the context of the company's succession scheme for Bruno Leder, who currently holds divisional responsibility for procurement and logistics. 57-year-old Bruno Leder has been with Ahlers since July 1983 and assumed divisional responsibility for procurement and logistics in 2006. He will leave the company in mid-2015 at his own request.

"In view of the growing importance and complexity of procurement and logistics, we decided to make these functions the task of the Management Board again," said Prof. Dr. Carl-Heinz Heuer, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Ahlers AG. "We are pleased to have signed up Jan Hilger, who is a renowned expert with long-standing experience in our industry," said Dr. Stella A. Ahlers, CEO of Ahlers AG.

Jan Hilger joins Ahlers from PVH Europe B.V., Amsterdam, where he held the position of Vice President Central Sourcing and Production for the Tommy Hilfiger and Calvin Klein brands. From January 2009 to December 2012, he served as Director Operations Formalwear at Escada SE in Munich. He previously worked for Hugo Boss, where he held various positions, including Director Operations for the Shirt and Neckwear Division and Head of Operations for Hugo Boss Ind. LTD in Switzerland.

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