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## **NORMAN THOM NEW CEO OF BMZ GERMANY**

Karlstein am Main, December 17, 2024 - BMZ Group, a global specialist for lithium-ion and sodium-ion battery systems, is pleased to announce the arrival of Norman Thom as CEO of BMZ Germany. Thom took over responsibility for the German site of the manufacturer of high-tech battery systems on December 1, 2024, nominally as Managing Director of BMZ Germany GmbH. From now on, he will manage the company together with BMZ founder and Managing Director Sven Bauer.

### **Expertise in the development of resource-saving products**

Norman Thom previously spent 10 years as Managing Director of CLARUS Films GmbH, one of Europe's leading independent suppliers of unprinted packaging and technical films. Thom's experience of more than 16 years in the packaging industry is combined with his commitment and in-depth expertise in the development of innovative and resource-saving products.

### **Even greater sustainability increases growth and competitiveness**

BMZ founder Sven Bauer is delighted with the new addition: "Norman Thom is an absolute expert in managing and successfully developing companies. This results in a very large overlap, especially when it comes to the integration of sustainable practices, resource efficiency and innovations around the circular economy model. With Norman, we are ideally positioned to further expand our growth and competitiveness."

### **High-tech battery systems as one of the markets with the greatest potential**

Norman Thom also believes that he can make a significant contribution to a sustainable future at BMZ: "At BMZ, I have the unique opportunity to contribute my professional experience to one of the most important and high-potential markets for a sustainable future. I look forward to working with a highly motivated team to promote a sustainable, clean and safe energy supply and at the same time contribute to increasing the value of the BMZ Group."

### **Design for Manufacturing accelerates innovation**

As the new CEO of BMZ Germany, Thom intends to focus, among other things, on driving forward the topic of Design for Manufacturing (DFM): the concept of production-oriented design. As a one-stop-shop provider, BMZ is already known for developing customer-specific and production-oriented battery system solutions that support its partners in the rapid introduction of innovations.

**Further information about the BMZ Group's portfolio can be found here:**

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The BMZ Group is a global player in the development and production of cross-industry lithium-ion and sodium-ion battery system solutions. It offers the complete value chain from the cell to the battery to second life and disposal. In addition to supplying markets such as medical, power & garden tools and industrial applications, the BMZ Group sees itself above all as THE GREEN ENERGY SYSTEM PROVIDER. With the production of home and industrial storage systems for photovoltaic systems and batteries for electromobility, BMZ manufactures the heart of the infrastructure required for the energy and transportation transition. In view of the threat of climate change and its consequences, the BMZ Group is fulfilling its social, economic and ecological responsibility. The Group is headquartered in Germany and has further production facilities in China, Poland, the USA, North Macedonia and Brazil as well as branches in Japan, the UK and France. There are also research and development sites around the world. More than 2,500 employees work for the BMZ Group.

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