

## AIXTRON SE: Chief Executive Officer Martin Goetzeler is leaving AIXTRON for personal reasons in agreement with the company's Supervisory Board effective February 28, 2017

AIXTRON Supervisory Board Chairman Kim Schindelhauer will become interim CEO effective March 1, 2017

**Herzogenrath/Germany, January 20, 2017** – AIXTRON SE (“Company”) (FSE: AIXA; OTC: AIXNY) announced today that the current CEO of the company, Martin Goetzeler, is leaving the company at the end of his contract on February 28, 2017.

Former AIXTRON Executive Board Member and current Supervisory Board Chairman, Kim Schindelhauer, will take on Mr. Goetzeler's duties as CEO and CFO on an interim basis starting March 1, 2017, until a successor is found. The strategy adopted will continue unchanged.

Mr. Goetzeler, whose responsibilities included strategy, finances, and also personnel as industrial relations director, is leaving the company for personal reasons and in agreement with the company's Supervisory Board.

“During Mr. Goetzeler's tenure, AIXTRON's technology portfolio was diversified considerably and the company oriented its strategy toward the future markets it identified. In addition, both the focus on profitability as well as the awareness of costs were successfully internalized in the company and the financial results steadily improved,” explained Supervisory Board Chairman Kim Schindelhauer. “He strengthened the relationships with the Chinese market and consequently initiated the planned China deal.” continued Schindelhauer. “He was greatly dedicated to this effort. We thank Mr. Goetzeler for his exemplary service to AIXTRON since his appointment in March 2013 and wish him every success in his continued career.”

Professor Dr. Wolfgang Blättchen, current deputy chairman of the Supervisory Board, will take over as chair of the Supervisory Board during Mr. Schindelhauer's work as CEO of the company.

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