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### **Karl Viktor Schaller to head BMW Motorrad Development.**

### **Christian Landerl takes on Automobile Petrol Engine Development.**

**Munich.** From 1. April 2014 Prof. Dr. Karl Viktor Schaller (55) will take over as head of BMW Motorrad development from Dr. Christian Landerl. Landerl (53) headed the motorcycle development from November 2008 and will now lead the development automobile petrol engine division.

Prof. Dr. Schaller studied mechanical engineering from 1979 to 1985 at the Technical University of Munich. Following his studies he continued here as a scientific assistant at the research institute for gear wheels and gear manufacturing, obtaining his doctorate in the process. His professional career then began at MAN Nutzfahrzeuge AG (commercial vehicles) in Munich. From 2006 to 2009 he was member of the board of MAN Nutzfahrzeuge AG responsible for technology and purchasing. In 2009 he founded kvs consulting, which specialises in the automotive sector. He is managing director of this company. Schaller has been an enthusiastic motorcycle rider for 35 years.

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The BMW Group is the leading premium manufacturer of automobiles and motorcycles in the world with its BMW, MINI and Rolls-Royce brands. As a global company, the BMW Group operates 28 production and assembly facilities in 13 countries and has a global sales network in more than 140 countries.

In 2012, the BMW Group sold about 1.85 million cars and more than 117,000 motorcycles worldwide. The profit before tax for the financial year 2012 was euro 7.82 billion on revenues

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amounting to euro 76.85 billion. At 31 December 2012, the BMW Group had a workforce of 105,876 employees.

The success of the BMW Group has always been built on long-term thinking and responsible action. The company has therefore established ecological and social sustainability throughout the value chain, comprehensive product responsibility and a clear commitment to conserving resources as an integral part of its strategy. As a result of its efforts, the BMW Group has been ranked industry leader in the Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes for the last eight years.

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