Press Release



TÜV SÜD Product Service GmbH Walter Reithmaier is new CEO 25 January 2021

Munich. With effect from the start of this year, Walter Reithmaier (53) has taken the helm of TÜV SÜD Product Service GmbH as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO).



In his new function, Walter Reithmaier is responsible for the operational business of testing medtech, industrial, automotive and consumer products and will focus on digitalisation, sustainability and future viability. "TÜV SÜD Product Service will continue to support its customers in the future with service excellence in product safety and global market access. We will

accompany our clients in their transformation processes towards digital and sustainable business models, providing regulatory and technical expertise", says Reithmaier in explanation of his future responsibilities.

Walter Reithmaier completes the management board of TÜV SÜD Product Service GmbH in Germany, operating alongside CTO Dr Jens Butenandt, who is responsible for certification, quality management and the divisional functions, and CFO Patrick van Welij, who is in charge of finances and controlling, general administration, IT and risk management.

Over the last seven years Walter Reithmaier has successfully managed and further developed the global Commercial Products Business Unit, focusing on profitable growth, development of an international strategy and introduction of new, innovative services. His focus topics of New Energy Vehicles and Advanced Manufacturing form the basis of expansion of today's business models towards digitalisation and sustainability.

Reithmaier joined TÜV SÜD Group over 25 years ago, assuming various positions in the company. After starting out as an automotive expert, he held various management functions at TÜV SÜD Automotive,

where he was appointed CEO in 2011. In this role, the automotive engineering graduate provided important impetus by expanding business in the Asia Pacific region, focusing on topics such as homologation, functional safety and electromobility.

Walter Reithmaier's predecessor, Dr Peter Havel, will in future be responsible for the market introductions of strategically important and innovative services as part of the Product Service Division. In his former role as Global Business Unit Manager Commercial Products, Walter Reithmaier has passed the reins to Wolfgang Hübl. Walter Reithmaier will continue to represent TÜV SÜD in its role of shareholder in the joint venture TÜV SÜD Battery Testing GmbH.

With around 1,300 employees, TÜV SÜD Product Service GmbH provides testing and certification services covering a broad range of client fields, from textiles, toys, household appliances and electronics to food and complex medical devices, industrial machinery, high-performance batteries and system components for the manufacturing, energy, automotive, rail and aerospace industries.

Note for editorial staff: The press release and high-resolution photo can be found on the Internet at <u>www.tuvsud.com/newsroom</u>.

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