

Cycle GmbH appoints Daniel Seiler as Chief Executive Officer

Hamburg, August 10th, 2020 - Cycle GmbH, leading manufacturer of laser-based time distribution and synchronization systems, is expanding its management team. For the position of the CEO, Cycle GmbH was able to recruit Daniel Seiler who will work for the young Hamburg-based company starting August 1, 2020. The 42-year-old has 15 years of experience in the photonics industry and was most recently Managing Director of a successful medium-sized manufacturer of industrial cameras. The founder of Cycle GmbH, Prof. Dr.-Ing. Franz X. Kaertner, will remain with the company in a central strategic role and focus on optical technologies.

"I am very much looking forward to this new challenge", explains Daniel Seiler. "What got me excited about Cycle is the high level of innovation in the field of ultra-short pulse laser systems as well as the large growth potential".

Prof. Franz Kaertner adds: "With Daniel Seiler, we have been able to gain an experienced manager who brings exactly the right skills in the development and production of electro-optical components and in the internationalization of a young company. I am convinced that together we will continue and increase the success of Cycle".



Daniel Seiler has a Diploma in electrical engineering as well as business management knowledge from a part-time MBA program. He will take over full-time operational management of Cycle, including engineering and sales. Prof. Franz Kaertner, who heads the research group for ultrafast laser physics at DESY and teaches physics at the University of Hamburg, will continue to play a central role in Cycle as technical innovation driver.

About Cycle GmbH

At its Hamburg-Bahrenfeld office, Cycle GmbH is developing a portfolio of systems for ultrafast optical timing and synchronization as well as fiber lasers for multiphoton microscopy, which are already being used by well-known customers in China, Germany, Italy and the USA. The company was founded in 2015 as a spin-off of Deutsches Elektronen Synchrotron (DESY) and has been supported by venture capitalists High-Tech Gründerfonds II GmbH & Co. KG (HTGF II), Innovationsstarter Fonds Hamburg GmbH (IFH), and Tybo Investments. Cycle GmbH currently has approx. 15 employees and plans for significant growth in 2021, combined with a move to a new office and labs space.

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