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Change at the management level of Fraunhofer IZFP

Andreas Noss new Administrative Director at Fraunhofer IZFP

As of February 1, 2025, Dipl.-Wirtsch.-Ing. Andreas Noss will bring a breath of fresh air to the Fraunhofer Institute for Nondestructive Testing IZFP in Saarbrücken as Administrative Director. At the same time, he will become a member of the newly established Institute Steering Committee. With this strategic personnel decision, Fraunhofer IZFP is strengthening its commercial and organizational management expertise.

Andreas Noss has extensive experience in the areas of finance, controlling and strategic corporate management. Before joining Fraunhofer IZFP, he worked for seven years as commercial director of ZeMA gGmbH, where he was successfully responsible for the economic management and further development of the organization. Prior to that, he gained valuable experience in commercial and operational management functions at Robert Bosch GmbH.



Dipl.-Wirtsch.-Ing. Andreas Noss new Administrative Director at Fraunhofer IZFP; © Uwe Bellhäuser

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With Andreas Noss' expertise, Fraunhofer IZFP is strengthening its economic and strategic orientation as a leading research institution for innovative sensor technologies and digital signal processing. His in-depth knowledge of financial management and organizational development will contribute significantly to the long-term competitiveness and future security of the institute.

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Research for a safe, sustainable and efficient future

The Fraunhofer IZFP, headquartered in Saarbrücken, is an internationally renowned research and development institute for applied, industry-oriented research. Its scientific work focuses on the development of intelligent sensor and data systems with applications in the areas of safety, sustainability and efficiency. The institute's research and development results are widely used in business and industry and at the same time contribute to shaping the future of society.

Fraunhofer IZFP's research portfolio includes customized sensor systems, sensor data management, data analysis and data value creation using state-of-the-art AI and machine learning techniques. In addition, the institute is involved in extensive consulting activities, including in the field of standardization. The combination of technical testing and sensor physics with innovative AI technologies enables novel applications in relevant domains such as critical infrastructure, the food industry, sustainable recycling management (circular economy) and resource protection and conservation.

The **Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft**, based in Germany, is a leading applied research organization. It plays a crucial role in the innovation process by prioritizing research in key future technologies and transferring its research findings to industry in order to strengthen Germany as a hub of industrial activity as well as for the benefit of society. Founded in 1949, the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft currently operates 76 institutes and research units throughout Germany. Its nearly 32,000 employees, predominantly scientists and engineers, work with an annual business volume of 3.4 billion euros; 3.0 billion euros of this stems from contract research, which is divided into three funding pillars. Fraunhofer generates a share of this from industry and license-fee revenue, totaling 836 million euros. This high proportion of industrial revenue is Fraunhofer's unique selling point in the German research landscape. Another share of contract research revenue comes from publicly funded research projects. The final share is base funding supplied by the German federal and state governments and enables our institutes to develop solutions now that will become relevant to the private sector and society in a few years.