

## Press release

### **Infineon Austria makes the wishes of 500 children come true and hands out 30 notebooks to apprentices**

*Villach, 21 December 2020* – Christmas as the feast of joy and the celebration of solidarity has a very special meaning this year in times of the coronavirus crisis, and the Infineon team are once again supporting children and young people in our region.

#### **The Infineon Christmas tree was virtual. The wishes were real.**

The Christmas Wishes Tree campaign was organized for the third time this year together with the Carinthia-based socio-educational organizations “Amica Jugendbetreuung”, “Diakonie de La Tour”, “Josefinum”, “Haus Antonius” and “Kinder und Jugendhilfe Villach”. Children and adolescents wrote their Christmas wishes on carefully hand-made cards and sent the cards to the Infineon Christmas angel who used them to decorate the virtual Christmas Wishes Tree on a dedicated online platform. It did not take long for the Infineon employees to take down all 500 wishes from the tree by a click of the mouse and fulfil more wishes than ever before.

#### **Laptops for apprentices**

Our apprentices are also faced with major challenges due to the pandemic. Their vocational schools have switched to remote teaching and classes are held online. To make sure that young people are not left behind in their training, Infineon Austria has made thirty notebooks available to vocational schools that reported an urgent need. The notebooks will be distributed and put to use at the vocational schools in Villach, St. Veit/Glan, Klagenfurt and Wolfsberg before Christmas. Infineon was able to make this donation within the shortest possible time in cooperation with “AfB mildtätige und gemeinnützige GmbH”, a company where people with impairments work to ensure the resource-saving secondary use of IT hardware.

“For many children and young people, a Christmas gift or a notebook for their vocational training is anything but a matter of course. It is touching and shows how important it is to not only share joy but also values”, Oliver Heinrich, CFO of Infineon Austria says and adds: “For us as a leading company firmly rooted in its region, it is a central part of our corporate philosophy to support social projects and educational initiatives. It’s a real pleasure for me to see how our people are responding with their full support to this commitment. And it is great how we can bring real joy to many young people together as one Infineon team.”

### **About Infineon Austria**

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Infineon Austria pools competencies for research and development, production as well as global business responsibility. The head office is in Villach, with further branches in Graz, Klagenfurt, Linz and Vienna. With 4,517 employees from around 70 countries (including 1,960 in research and development), in the financial year 2020 (ending in September) the company achieved a turnover of € 3.1 billion. With a research expenditure of 498 million euros, Infineon Austria is one of the strongest research company in Austria.

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