

## Press Release

### **DICE Linz: Gerhard Riess new member of the Management Board / Manfred Ruhmer new Senior Funding Manager**

Linz, 4 October 2017 – Gerhard Riess was appointed new member of the Management Board of DICE (Danube Integrated Circuit Engineering), an affiliated Infineon company with headquarters in Linz, in June of this year. Also new to the DICE team is Manfred Ruhmer, Senior Manager Funding, who joined the company one month later, in July. Infineon Austria CEO Sabine Herlitschka: "DICE addresses high-growth markets of the future in the automotive field with a special focus on autonomous driving, and with these two appointments we clearly corroborate our strategic orientation."

#### ***Gerhard Riess new member on the DICE Management Board***

Gerhard Riess (49) joined Stefan Rohringer and Peter Zeiner as a new member of the DICE Management Board in June 2017. He holds this position in addition to his job as Senior Director Radar Excellence at Infineon Munich. Gerhard Riess: "DICE is Infineon's center of competence for the development of high-frequency components. The focus is on 77-GHz radar chips for driver assistance systems and automated driving. It is my goal to strategically strengthen Infineon's position as the market leader in this field and drive future development together with the whole DICE Team." With his more than 25 years of professional experience – from management to product marketing and product development in the mobile communication, automotive and semiconductor industries – he can draw on the required expertise for his new task. Gerhard Riess held various positions at Infineon Technologies AG in Munich for fourteen years until 2010 when he left the company for Intel Corporation Munich before returning to Infineon in 2015.

#### **New Senior Manager Funding Manfred Ruhmer**

Manfred Ruhmer (50) joined DICE in the capacity of Senior Manager Funding in July 2017. His main tasks include the integration of future developments and innovation projects in national and European promotion programs, in particular in the fields of autonomous driving and communication technologies for smart phones. Manfred Ruhmer: "I have set up and coordinated various research cooperation schemes in the course of my professional career. I am very well aware of what researchers need, and this is why it is very important for me to give them optimum support in the implementation of outstanding projects." He contributes his many years of experience in the field of funding, among others as head of Research Promotion & Innovation Management at Business Upper Austria (his most recent position) and head of the R&D-Funding department at CATT Innovation Management.

### **About Infineon Austria**

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Besides Germany, Infineon Austria is the only subsidiary within the group that 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 around 3,600 employees from around 60 countries (including 1,400 in research and development), in the financial year 2016 (ending in September) the company achieved a turnover of € 1.8 billion. An R&D expense rate of more than €400 million makes Infineon Austria one of the strongest industrial research companys' in Austria.

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