

PRESS RELEASE

SCANLAB names Tim Morris Vice President for Blackbird Robotics North America

Novi, Michigan, USA / Garching (near Munich) – June 5, 2014 – As an innovation leader in remote laser welding solutions, Blackbird Robotersysteme GmbH – a division of SCANLAB AG – has announced the appointment of Tim Morris as Vice President Blackbird Robotics North America. In addition to business development and sales support, Morris will lead the establishment of an application engineering and service capability for the North American market.



“Tim Morris brings extensive, robotics, laser and materials processing experience to his new role that will help accelerate our efforts to implement and support our remote laser processing solutions in North America,” says Wolfgang Vogl, Co-founder and President of Blackbird Robotersysteme GmbH.

Morris was formerly the Vice President of EOS of North America, Inc. where he led the sales and service activities for the North American market. Prior to EOS, Morris was the Laser Technology Division General Manager at TRUMPF North America, where he oversaw the sales and service activities of the Laser Technology Division. He spent more than a decade with TRUMPF in various capacities.

Morris has worked in a variety of industries, including aerospace, automotive, power generation, medical, and consumer electronics. “I look forward to putting my experience and passion for materials processing to work for Blackbird,” he says. “We have a very innovative product platform that can enable manufactures to dramatically increase their productivity and profitability.”

Blackbird control systems have gained acceptance in high volume manufacturing applications throughout central Europe and are proving to be game changer for productivity increases in remote welding applications. Now with the second generation production systems in place, expansion to the North American market is a natural progression. A number of North American companies are already

evaluating the technology and the first production systems are planned for installation in the coming months.

Print-ready images are available for download at www.scanlab.de/en/ /Archive/picture_library

Upcoming Tradeshow:

At LASYS in Stuttgart on June 24 - 26, 2014, you'll find SCANLAB in Hall 4, Booth C35 and Blackbird Robotersysteme in Hall 4, Booth D33.

About SCANLAB:

With over 15,000 systems produced annually, SCANLAB AG is the world-leading and independent OEM manufacturer of scan solutions for deflecting and positioning laser beams in three dimensions. Its exceptionally fast and precise high-performance galvanometer scanners, scan heads and scan systems find application in industrial materials processing, as well as biotech and medical technology.

For nearly 25 years, SCANLAB has secured its international technology leadership through pioneering innovations in electronics, mechanics, optics and software, as well as the highest quality standards.

About Blackbird Robotersysteme:

A division of the leading scanner system manufacturer SCANLAB AG, Munich-based Blackbird Robotersysteme GmbH is dedicated to the development and production implementation of remote laser processing solutions. Developing high performance control systems and intuitive application software is Blackbird's core competency. In combination with SCANLAB's portfolio of scan heads, Blackbird offers a broad range of pre-integrated scanning solutions for machine integrators and line builders. Blackbird welding solutions are used by automotive OEMs, their suppliers and a variety of other industries.

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