## Ad-hoc announcement pursuant to Section 15 of the German Securities Trading Act (WpHG)



### Changes to Managing and Supervisory boards of SMT Scharf AG

Hamm, June 17, 2015 — SMT Scharf AG (WKN 575198, ISIN DE0005751986) announces changes to its Managing and Supervisory boards.

Managing Board Chairman (CEO), Mr. Dipl.-Ing. Christian Dreyer, has announced today that he is stepping down from his post as Managing Board member with effect as of June 30, 2015. The Supervisory Board would like to thank Mr. Christian Dreyer for the outstanding work that he has performed over the past years.

Mr. Dipl. Kfm. Hans Joachim Theiss subsequently resigned as Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board, and also stepped down from the company's Supervisory Board with effect as of July 15, 2015. He has hereby made himself available to switch to the role of Managing Board Chairman (CEO), with responsibility for the areas of finance and controlling, strategic corporate development, mergers and acquisitions, and investor relations. Mr. Theiss looks back on many years of holding managing director positions at medium-sized companies, including as supervisory board chairman (from 2001), managing board member (from 2006), and CEO (from 2007) of a similar medium-sized, an internationally operating manufacturer of filling level measurement equipment for various sectors, such as the process industry.

In line with the company's articles of incorporation, the Managing Board will submit an application to the court to appoint a new Supervisory Board member with a time limitation until the next AGM. The company has proposed Mrs. Diplom-Volkswirtin Dorothea Gattineau as Mr. Theiss' successor. Mrs. Gattineau qualifies for this role after holding several managerial roles at medium-sized companies, including international operating companies from various sectors, and including seven years at SMT Scharf. Mrs. Gattineau is available as from July 16, 2015.

Also at today's meeting, the company's Supervisory Board has appointed Mr. Dipl.-Ing. Wolfgang Embert as a new member of the company's Managing Board with effect as of July 1, 2015. Mr. Embert was already engaged as a technical director at SMT Scharf, playing a decisive role in shaping the company's product development. Wolfgang Embert brings with him extensive product, production, sector and market knowledge, and is distinguished by his pronounced innovative capabilities. After holding managing director positions in the packaging sector, and as engineering manager at a large international mining supply industry company, Mr. Embert will be

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responsible in his new function as Chief Technology Officer at SMT Scharf AG for the construction, development and production areas.

Managing Board member of many years' standing Mr. Dip.-Ing. Heinrich Schulze-Buxloh will continue to intensively address the sales and service area is his function as Managing Board member.

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### **Company profile**

SMT Scharf Group develops, manufactures and services transport equipment for underground mines. The main products are captivated railways that are used all over the world, primarily in black coal mines, but also in mines for gold, platinum and other metals. These are needed to transport material and personnel with payloads of up to 45 tons on gradients of up to 35 degrees. SMT Scharf Group has subsidiaries in six countries and agents worldwide. SMT Scharf generates most of its revenues in growing foreign markets such as China, Russia and South Africa. SMT Scharf AG has been listed in the Prime Standard (Regulated Market) of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange since April 11, 2007.

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