

Becoming the leader for fixture engineering solutions with a new owner

Carl Zeiss Fixture Systems GmbH will operate independently as FIXTURE TECH Solutions GmbH with jigs & fixtures and technology solutions on the market as of July 2022

- Fixtures portfolio will be maintained in full.
- In addition, the product portfolio will be expanded by technological transportation and automation solutions
- More agile processing and a customer centric approach are the focus of the new management of the jigs & fixtures solutions provider

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Carl Zeiss Fixture Systems GmbH will operate independently as FIXTURE TECH Solutions GmbH from July 2022 onwards, following the successful carve-out. The new owner of the company is the long-term oriented ASC Investment Group, which has taken over 100% of the shares together with its approximately 100 employees at the Tholey site from Carl Zeiss. In the future, FIXTURE TECH Solutions will focus on topics related to jigs & fixture systems, loading solutions and new technologies such as the autonomous transport system eMOBEE. The ZEISS Group will continue to be a strategic partner of FIXTURE TECH Solutions GmbH.

Automated fixture solutions not only for the automotive and aero industries

"FIXTURE TECH is in an excellent position to become the leading, independent player for jigs & fixtures as well as automation solutions in the automotive and industrial segment, due to its vast know how and its core competencies" says Frederic Hierl, Managing Director of ASC Investment during his presentation at the general meeting. ASC is an internationally operating industrial holding company that provides bespoke support to medium-sized companies and helps them to return to a healthy growth path, internationalize sales and expand to adjacent product niches.

The new Managing Director Francesco di Bari explained the new spirit by stating: "Our name FIXTURE TECH represents that we will become an agile quality leader in the field of jigs & fixtures and technologically advanced automation solutions while at the same time remain the reliable partner for our international customers, some of whom we have already been supporting for the past 25 years". The experienced manager, who has already managed many successful carve-outs and spin-offs, e. g. within the automotive and telecommunications industries, thus sees excellent potential for a future growth path for the Tholey-based industrial company.

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About FIXTURE TECH

FIXTURE TECH Solutions GmbH develops and manufactures at their production site in Tholey/Germany measuring equipment for the international manufacturing industry as well as manual, semi-automatic, and fully automatic loading systems for industrial applications. Founded in 1995 as owner-managed company „Junker und

Partner“ and until recently a subsidiary of ZEISS Industrial Metrology GmbH as an important supplier for the ZEISS portfolio “Car Body Solutions”, the company now has a broader base and is once again operating independently on the market. At the Tholey site, around 100 employees work in the fields of design, production, assembly, sales, product development, marketing and administration.

Further information: www.fixture-tech.com

About ZEISS

ZEISS is an internationally leading technology enterprise operating in the fields of optics and optoelectronics. In the previous fiscal year, the ZEISS Group generated annual revenue totaling more than 6.4 billion euros in its four segments Semiconductor Manufacturing Technology, Industrial Quality & Research, Medical Technology and Consumer Markets (status: 30 September 2019). For its customers, ZEISS develops, produces and distributes highly innovative solutions for industrial metrology and quality assurance, microscopy solutions for the life sciences and materials research, and medical technology solutions for diagnostics and treatment in ophthalmology and microsurgery. The name ZEISS is also synonymous with the world's leading lithography optics, which are used by the chip industry to manufacture semiconductor components. There is global demand for trendsetting ZEISS brand products such as eyeglass lenses, camera lenses and binoculars.

About ASC Investment

ASC is an investment firm based in Luxembourg and Munich, focusing on pan-European corporate, carve-outs, spin offs and succession situations with improvement potential. ASC is led by a group of experienced and proven investment and industry professionals with decades of experience, having completed over 40 transactions. Since 2010 the ASC team has been investing in pan-European situations where an active and entrepreneurial-minded investor is needed. Through our network and operational expertise, we support companies to revitalize its operations and build-up a sound foundation for a sustainable future.

New Logo of the company FIXTURE TECH Solutions GmbH:



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(Image 1 caption:

Internationally successful in the field of fixturing technology for more than 25 years: the newly named FIXTURE TECH Solutions GmbH with its production site in Tholey).

