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**INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION SYSTEM FOR  
CERTIFICATION TO STANDARDS RELATING TO EQUIPMENT FOR USE  
IN EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES (IECEx SYSTEM)**

**Title: Calls for Nomination for consideration as IECEx Chairman.  
“Nomination received from Germany”**

**To: Members of the IECEx Management Committee, ExMC**

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**INTRODUCTION**

**Candidate: Prof. Dr. Thorsten Arnhold Vice President Technology Stahl - Head of  
IECEx German Delegation**

Further to the issuing of IECEx Document *ExMC/836/Inf Call for Nominations for consideration as IECEx Chairman* we are pleased to provide this nomination from the German Member Body nominating Prof. Dr. Thorsten Arnhold as the new IECEx Chairman.

Included is a copy of his Curriculum Vitae and supporting statement.

This nomination will be considered during the 2013 IECEx Management Committee meeting in Fortaleza.

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## IECEX Chairman

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Having been actively involved in the day to day management of the IECEX -System for more than 10 years with German Mirror Committee and more than 7 years attending both IECEX - Management Committee and different IECEX - Working Groups I see first-hand from an industry perspective how the importance of the IECEX - System has grown for industry.

Aspects such as

- Providing a Single International forum for industry and other stakeholders like end users, EPCs, regulators and Certification Bodies to come together to develop an International System of Conformity Assessment Schemes with rules and procedures established by the industry itself,
- Providing a single qualification process to assess, qualify and monitor IECEX appointed Certification Bodies and Test Labs which provides confidence to all stakeholders,
- Providing a single "way" of conducting testing and certification by all IECEX – CBs and IECEX – TLs in the Schemes,
- The single IECEX "On-Line" certificate system so that certificates issued by all IECEX – CBs are in one place and easily accessible,
- The support of a dedicated technical secretariat to not only carry out committee work but to support the operators and industry with both technical and administrative enquiries

have positioned the IECEX – System to be the world leading certification operation dedicated to the highly specialized field of explosion protection. In looking forward I see the role of IECEX in daily industry operations only increasing, new Schemes like extension of the IECEX Certified Service Facilities Scheme (including installation, inspection, area classification etc.), the IECEX Certified Persons Scheme and now under consideration the qualification of Ex training providers following proposals from both US and NO extending the global reach set by the original IECEX Certified Equipment Scheme.



The need of industry to have a single location for Technical and Administrative support of their daily compliance needs will only increase and the IECEx operation is well equipped to meet this demand.

If elected as Chairman, I will commit to leading the IECEx – System along the well-established path set by past Chairmen, the Secretariat and the Management Committee to ensure that all industries and their stakeholders, will continue to be served by a professional, prompt and technically focused operation.

I thank you for considering my candidature.

Prof. Dr. Thorsten Arnhold

Waldenburg, May 2013

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## Curriculum Vitae

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Dates	Activity	Organization	Remarks
1967 to 1975	Primary School	Realschule Radebeul	General certificate of secondary education
1975 to 1979	High School	Gymnasium Radebeul	General qualification for university entrance
1979 to 1982	Military service	NVA Bad Döben	Air craft mechanic
1982 to 1986	Study of Electronics	Technical University Dresden	Dipl. Ing.
1986 to 1989	Research Study	Technical University Dresden	Dr.-Ing. (similar to PhD)
1987 to 1990	Postgraduate Study	Technical University Dresden	Translator English/German
1989 to 1990	Scientist	Technical University Dresden	Reliability of Hybrid Circuits
1990 to 1992	Senior Quality Engineer	Commodore Business Machines GmbH Braunschweig/Germany	Implementation of an ISO 9000 Quality Management System

1992 to 1998	Head of Quality Department	R. STAHL AG Künzelsau	
1997 to 2002	Convenor EN 13980: "Quality Systems"	CENELEC	Legacy application of ISO/IEC 80079 part 34
1998 to 2002	Head of design and marketing	R. STAHL AG Waldenburg	
2002 to 2012	Vice President Product Management and Marketing	R. STAHL AG Waldenburg	
2002 to 2008	Member of IEC TC31 WG 22 and other Working Groups	IEC TC 31	
since 2012	Vice President Technology	R. STAHL AG Waldenburg	
2003 to 2005	Study of Marketing	Sankt Galler Business School Switzerland	
2003 to 2006	Lecturer of Safety Technology and Explosion Protection	Technical University Magdeburg	
since 2007	Lecturer for Technical Sales, Marketing and Safety Technology	Ernst Abbe University of Applied Science Jena	
Since 2012	Professor	Ernst Abbe University of Applied Science Jena	
Since 2007	IECEX: Head of the German delegation of IECEX MC, Member of different Working Groups	IECEX	

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