

## Press Release

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### **BIT Group reorganizes its Global Market and Technology approach and appoints President /Global Program Management**

### **BIT Analytical Instruments appoints new Chief Operations Officer (COO)**

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In the last three years BIT Group has focused a significant amount of its resources and funds on the extension of technology know-how and global market development, with a strong focus on US and European markets. Through the acquisition of Source Scientific in 2007 BIT Group strongly extended its medical market competence. One of the main architects of this process will now take a stronger direct role on making this development a sustainable success; Mr. Alfred Lang (CTO) of BIT Group will take over a new role in the organization focusing his activities and know-how solely on our client's needs, technologies, platforms, and market developments.

### **August 15, 2008, Mr. Alfred Lang, takes over Global Program Management as President at BIT Group.**

In this new function he also will take care of the further integration process of the business development in mutual activities with Source Scientific, a BIT Group company responsible for BIT's USA business. Mr. Steve Maylish (VP Business Development at SSL) and Mr. Brian Jarvis (Director USA at BIT Inc.) will support Alfred in managing this task. The clients will significantly benefit from Alfred Lang's and the team's many years of technologies know-how and systems competence. Mr. Thomas Eck (VP Supply Chain, Logistics and QM) will take over Alfred Lang's prior function and will stay responsible for the Engineering and System Management Team until December 2008. During this time he will focus its activity on leading the global R&D projects and managing the internal integration project in the USA. The function of the Head of Product Development and Technologies will be newly reorganized in January 2009

### **As of August 15, 2008, Thomas Eck is appointed the new COO of BIT Analytical Instruments.**

The 38-year old Dipl.-Ing. Thomas Eck, has been with BIT Group since 2007 and successfully headed the Global Sourcing, Logistics, and QM departments.

Thomas Eck can look back on 15 years' international experience with highly reputed manufacturers of laboratory and medical instrumentation and has an in-depth understanding in the areas of rationalization and the implementation of new processes, technologies, and standards in operations. Particularly his know-how in process optimization and low-wage production are of enormous advantage to the BIT Group in the contract development and manufacture of medical and diagnostic devices. Thomas Eck will be in an even better position to secure the competitive edge of the BIT Group. Current COO, Mr. Karlheinz Schiller will retire on October 31, 2008 after 28 years of successful work for BIT. Karlheinz and his team were the main driver at BIT of raising the bar in our industry in regards to manufacturing processes for high-end medical product assembly through the KAIZEN philosophy applied since 2001.