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**Press Release** 

## Dutch advanced automation equipment manufacturer Airborne strengthens its activities in the D-A-CH region with AMAC

As of October 1st, 2019, the Netherlands-based global market leading manufacturer of advanced automation equipment and solutions for composites, Airborne, strengthens its activities particularly in German speaking countries, the so-called D-A-CH region, comprising Germany, Austria and Switzerland with Dr. Michael Effing from AMAC. The Dutch company is looking for specialised partnerships to develop and deepen its international business opportunities in the aerospace and automotive markets.

Airborne's focus is on high-end composite components, at high production rates at radically low conversion costs. With over 20 years heritage in composites, Airborne is building up a suite of automated solutions for the manufacturing of composites with the aim to radically reduce costs and touch labour, minimize the footprint and use of material, and improve the time to market for their clients. The company offers i.a. solutions in automated honeycomb potting, automated kitting and automated lamination of thermosets and thermoplastics. In order to develop new business opportunities in the D-A-CH region for the end-markets aerospace and automotive, Airborne is cooperating with AMAC to accelerate the process of locating suitable partnerships.

Marcus Kremers, Chief Technology Officer of Airborne: "Airborne has a strong background in composite manufacturing at industrial scale and is leveraging this to help composite production companies to improve efficiency with smart and digital automation solutions. The cooperation with AMAC will accelerate this and will support is in finding new partnerships and business opportunities. We are happy to benefit from AMAC and Dr. Effing's long-term experience as a pioneer in the composites industry and his high-quality network along the entire value chain." Dr. Effing, CEO of AMAC GmbH confirms: "With their equipment, specialty manufacturer of small-and medium-sized series as well as tailor-made equipment and highly automated solutions, Airborne contributes to significant production time savings, quality improvement and last but not least, weight reductions of the final product, thus improve the energy efficiency while offering a cost-efficient and high-quality solution. I am very pleased to support and connect Airborne with key-players in the D-A-CH region. As a first step for the establishment of Airborne on the German market, we just signed their membership at AZL in Aachen which will help to connect with over 80 companies and latest research developments. In the framework of their strategy to strengthen the supply to the aircraft sector, Airborne will also exhibit at the Aircraft Interiors Expo in Hamburg from March 31st to April 2nd 2020."

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## About Airborne

Founded in 1995 and headquartered in The Hague, the Netherlands, Airborne is a recognized technology leader in advanced composites, specialised in the manufacturing of automation equipment and complete solutions for Industry 4.0. applications based on durable fiber reinforced composites for the aerospace, automotive, marine, industrial and consumer electronics industry. Airborne has 130 highly qualified employees working at Airborne's facilities in the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. Customers of Airborne include companies such as Airbus, GKN, GE, TATA and Thales.

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## About AMAC

AMAC GmbH is an Industrial and Business Consulting Company in the field of lightweight construction materials based in Aachen, Germany. The business model of

AMAC is based on three pillars: establishment and development of networking and clusters between universities and industrial companies, training in Sales and Marketing excellence as well as management of industrial projects in the field of innovations and commercialization. Dr. Michael Effing is Chairman of the board of the trade associations Composites Germany and AVK. www.amac-international.com



Picture: Dr. Michael Effing (AMAC) and Marcus Kremers (CTO Airborne)