

---

## Media information

---

NO. 460/2018

## Personnel changes in production

- **Dr. Oliver Grünberg to be Chairman of the Board of Management of Volkswagen Slovakia**
- **Stefan Depka to be Technical Director of Volkswagen Group Russia**
- **Ralf Sacht to be new Head of Toolmaking, Volkswagen AG Wolfsburg**

**Wolfsburg, December 13, 2018. Dr. Oliver Grünberg, Previously Technical Director of Volkswagen OOO Group RUS and Plant Manager at Kaluga, Russia, is to be Chairman of the Board of Management and Board Member for Technology of Volkswagen Slovakia with effect from January 1, 2019. He succeeds Ralf Sacht, who is to be Head of Toolmaking of the Volkswagen brand in Wolfsburg from January. Grünberg's previous function is to be assumed from February 2019 by Stefan Depka, Head of Production with FAW Volkswagen in Foshan, China.**



**Dr. Oliver Grünberg**



**Ralf Sacht**

Dr. Oliver Grünberg (48) studied engineering and holds a doctorate. He has worked for Volkswagen for 23 years. During this time, he has held a number of responsible positions in production including Head of Vehicle Production with Volkswagen Group Russia in Kaluga from 2007, Managing Director and Director Technical Affairs with ŠKODA AUTO India from 2010, plant manager at Nizhny Novgorod from 2012, Head of Brand Planning with ŠKODA AUTO in Mladá Boleslav from 2014 and Technical Director and Deputy Director General of Volkswagen Group Russia in Kaluga from 2017.

Ralf Sacht (55) is a qualified industrial metal working foreman and has worked for Volkswagen for 34 years. He has comprehensive experience in production and is worked in a number of responsible positions for example as head of the pilot hall of Volkswagen Slovakia from 2004, head of start of production for the Volkswagen Group from 2005, head of the Volkswagen pilot hall from 2007 and also head of the pre-series production center from 2010. In 2016, he was appointed Chairman of the Board of Management and Board Member for Technology of Volkswagen Slovakia, a. s.

# VOLKSWAGEN

AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT



**Stefan Depka**

Stefan Depka (44) holds a degree in mechanical engineering and has worked for Volkswagen since 2003. Depka is a production expert and has worked in various responsible positions in production with Volkswagen. From 2013, he was Head of Production with Volkswagen Navarra in Spain, before being appointed Senior Manager Production with FAW Volkswagen in Foshan in mid-2015.



**Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft**

**Corporate Communications | Spokesperson Human Resources**

**Contact** Markus Schlesag

**Phone** +49-5361-9-871 15

**E-mail** [markus.schlesag1@volkswagen.de](mailto:markus.schlesag1@volkswagen.de) | [www.volkswagen-newsroom.com](http://www.volkswagen-newsroom.com)



**Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft**

**Corporate Communications | Spokesperson Human Resources**

**Contact** Christine Kuhlmeier

**Phone** +49-151-27611 482

**E-mail** [christine.kuhlmeier@volkswagen.de](mailto:christine.kuhlmeier@volkswagen.de) | [www.volkswagen-newsroom.com](http://www.volkswagen-newsroom.com)



---

**About the Volkswagen Group:**

The Volkswagen Group, with its headquarters in Wolfsburg, is one of the world's leading automobile manufacturers and the largest carmaker in Europe. The Group comprises twelve brands from seven European countries: Volkswagen Passenger Cars, Audi, SEAT, ŠKODA, Bentley, Bugatti, Lamborghini, Porsche, Ducati, Volkswagen Commercial Vehicles, Scania and MAN. The passenger car portfolio ranges from small cars all the way to luxury-class vehicles. Ducati offers motorcycles. In the light and heavy commercial vehicles sector, the products include ranges from pick-ups, buses and heavy trucks. Every weekday, 642,292 employees around the globe produce on average 44,170 vehicles, are involved in vehicle-related services or work in other areas of business. The Volkswagen Group sells its vehicles in 153 countries.

In 2017, the total number of vehicles supplied to customers by the Group globally was 10,741 million (2016: 10,297 million). The passenger car global market share was 12.1 per cent. In Western Europe 22.0 per cent of all new passenger cars come from the Volkswagen Group. Group sales revenue in 2017 totaled €231 billion (2016: €217 billion). Earnings after tax in 2017 amounted to €11.6 billion (2016: €5.4 billion).

---