## **Press Release**



## **New Managing Director Announced for Rigaku Europe SE**

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**October 18, 2016 – Ettlingen, Germany.** Rigaku Corporation is pleased to announce that, as of July 1, 2016, Dr. Michael Hippler has joined the Rigaku Group as the Managing Director of Rigaku Europe SE.

Prior to joining Rigaku, Dr. Hippler led an extensive career that includes experience with both X-ray diffraction (XRD) and X-ray fluorescence (XRF) at Philips Analytical. In the interim, he led sales, service and applications teams for nanotechnology divisions within the analytical instrument industry for Agilent Technologies, Nanofilm and others. With his proven record of accomplishment in direct sales and distribution leadership, Dr. Hippler will further the mission of providing the company's client markets in Europe, the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), the Middle East and Africa with fully integrated solutions across a wide variety of disciplines and industries.

In his welcome letter to his employees, Dr Hippler called himself fortunate to be given the opportunity to work for a company with such a fine reputation in the market. He noted that, together with his team, he will ensure a high level of customer satisfaction within the XRD and XRF market and will bring the company to the next level of success in EMEA.



Rigaku welcomes Dr. Michael Hippler as Managing Director of Rigaku Europe SE

## **About Rigaku Corporation**

Since its inception in Japan in 1951, Rigaku has been at the forefront of analytical and industrial instrumentation technology. Rigaku and its subsidiaries form a global group focused on general-purpose analytical instrumentation and the life sciences. With hundreds of major innovations to their credit, Rigaku companies are world leaders in X-ray spectrometry, diffraction, and optics, as well as small molecule and protein crystallography and semiconductor metrology. Today, Rigaku employs over 1,400 people in the manufacturing and support of its analytical equipment, which is used in more than 90 countries around the world supporting research, development, and quality assurance activities. Throughout the world, Rigaku continuously promotes partnerships, dialog, and innovation within the global scientific and industrial communities.

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