

WILA JOINS THE NORDEON GROUP

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The Nordeon Group further strengthens its position as leading international lighting company through the acquisition of the WILA Group.

WILA is a well known international premium indoor architectural lighting brand serving customers around the globe from its operations in the UK and Germany. As part of the Nordeon Group, WILA will continue to operate as an independent, entrepreneurial, customer focussed business with the benefit of being part of a larger group. As such it will be able to benefit from the Nordeon Group's powerful portfolio of brands, its global operations and its technology leadership. This will allow it to further develop the WILA brand, its product portfolio and full customer services abilities around the world.

'The Nordeon Group is proud to welcome WILA to the family. It has an impeccable reputation in the architects and specification market in the premium indoor segment. Its impressive track record in delivering high performance lighting solutions for offices, commercial buildings, hospitals, airports, schools, retailers and universities, and its ability to custom engineer to the toughest customer specifications, place WILA at the forefront of the lighting industry. This is a tremendous step towards developing the Nordeon Group into a global lighting company' says Patrick van Rossum, Chairman of the Nordeon Group.

Mike Collett, CEO of WILA, says: 'Being part of the Nordeon Group will help us to accelerate the strategic agenda of the WILA group; in particular in the areas of technology, international reach and the collaboration with key brands such as Hess and Griven, will definitely help us in further delivering on our customer's every lighting need'.

'With our comprehensive portfolio of brands – Hess, WILA, Vulkan, Nordeon and Griven – geared towards every thinkable lighting application area and requirement, the Nordeon Group is a formidable partner for our customers and partners in the different markets' says Nordeon Group CEO Pierre van Lamsweerde.

Mike Collett and his management team will continue to run and operate the WILA business from Wantage and Abingdon in the UK and Iserlohn in Germany. In addition, Mike Collett will also join the Nordeon Group's global leadership team.

ABOUT WILA

WILA was established in Iserlohn, Germany in 1857 as a manufacturer of OEM components for the furniture industry, and is now entering its 4th era of development „the Digitalisation of light“. WILA's heritage from metal components, to mass market incandescent interior residential lighting in 1932, through to energy efficient compact fluorescent down lighting in 1983 and since 2007 into the digitalised era of LED lighting enables us today to be recognised as a leading provider of both standard and customised lighting. WILA has production facilities in both Germany and the UK, offering down lighting and linear lighting product solutions that are application, technology and design driven:

- Used by professional lighting specifiers – Architects, Lighting Designers & Consulting Engineers
- Focussed on interior lighting applications for – Offices, Health, Education and Transport Infrastructure
- Found around the world – we sell internationally to 35 countries
- Modularised – high quality, energy efficient and sustainable and we have a well-respected industry reputation as an innovative market leader

ABOUT NORDEON GROUP

The Nordeon Group is one of Europe's leading lighting companies. It consists of medium-sized, agile manufacturing and innovation sites, which operate in close proximity to their specific markets. The group's aim is to pool and utilise the experience and capabilities of these individual companies, in order to offer customers maximum benefit and optimum service and performance.

The Nordeon Group can boast a comprehensive portfolio of leading lighting companies to service the market's every need:

Premium decorative specification brand **Hess** from Villingen in Germany;

The outdoor functional lighting specialist **Vulkan** from Springe in Germany;

The leading architectural outdoor lighting brand **Griven** from Castel Goffredo in Italy;

The indoor lighting specialist **Nordeon** from Springe in Germany and Chalon in France;

Furthermore, Hess, Griven and Nordeon have a strong presence on the North American market through the Nordeon Group site in Gaffney, USA;

And now premium architectural indoor brand **WILA**;

Where each of these brands are brought to market through a worldwide sales, manufacturing and support organization.

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