

Press Release

## REMONDIS Australia appoints new CEO and Chairman

**Sydney, 22 April 2022 REMONDIS Australia – Jochen Behr** has been appointed Chief Executive Officer of REMONDIS Australia, replacing **Björn Becker** who steps down after leading Australian operations since 2018 having positioned the company for sustainable, profitable growth.

Having served as Chief Operating Officer of REMONDIS Australia since 2020, Jochen Behr has accumulated a wealth of commercial experience with REMONDIS and with former roles at DS Smith, CHEP and GE Capital, operating in complex multi-country environments in recycling, waste and supply chain management and logistics.

“I congratulate Jochen on his well-earned appointment and have no doubt REMONDIS Australia will continue thriving under his leadership,” Mr Becker said.

“Jochen takes over at a pivotal time of expansion and acquisition, including our re-entry to the South Australia market.”

“I’m proud to be taking on the CEO role, particularly as REMONDIS marks 40 years of operations in Australia,” Jochen Behr said.

“Since arriving in Australia in 1982 REMONDIS has introduced international waste management and environmental experience, technology and innovation to Australia, growing into one the country’s biggest players with more than 20,000 customers coast-to-coast.

“With environmental responsibility on the minds of so many Australians, from top business leaders through to suburban households, there are many more opportunities to pursue.

“A priority is defining REMONDIS’ role in Australia’s circular economy. I’m looking forward to scaling our recent investments in food organics, container deposit scheme innovation and Energy from Waste – among other resource recovery projects – to yield operational, environmental and customer benefits,” Mr Behr said.

Björn Becker has recently joined the Board of REMONDIS International GmbH and became CEO of Asia Pacific within REMONDIS International.

Mr Becker will remain involved in the Australian business as Chairman of the REMONDIS Australia Board.

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REMONDIS is one of the world’s largest privately run recycling, service and water companies with around 900 business locations in over 30 countries and across four continents. Founded in 1934, this family-run business employs more than 38,000 people and generates a turnover of €8.3 billion (2020). Each year, it processes more than 30 million tonnes of recyclable materials and provides services for local authorities, small and medium-



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sized businesses and industrial firms as well as for around 30 million people. Operating in many different fields of business, REMONDIS makes an important contribution towards protecting the environment and conserving natural resources – from recovering valuable raw materials from industrial and household waste, to producing high quality recycled raw materials, all the way through to transforming non-recyclable materials into a range of different fuels. Moreover, the company is increasingly helping to advance the switch from fossil fuels to renewables by using biomass as a source of energy. REMONDIS sees itself as an adviser and point of contact for industrial, commercial and retail businesses as well as for local authorities as it helps them to find regional and bespoke solutions. **REMONDIS Australia** commenced operations in 1982 and now services more than 20,000 customers nationally.

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