

## PRESS RELEASE

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### Minister Pinkwart visits DEUTZ

- DEUTZ presents innovative electrification solutions and digitalisation concepts
- Off-highway hybrid demonstration unit combines diesel and electric engines
- Pinkwart praises the company's ability to innovate

Innovation and digitalisation were the focus of a conversation between Professor Dr Andreas Pinkwart, Minister for Economic Affairs, Innovation, Digitalization and Energy of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia, Dr Frank Hiller, Chairman of the Board of Management of DEUTZ, and its Chief Financial Officer, Dr Andreas Strecker. During his visit to DEUTZ, Pinkwart was introduced to the company's latest technologies and designs.

The acquisition of Torqeedo, an electric drive specialist, has given DEUTZ access not only to expertise in battery management, electric motors and power electronics, but also in integrating these components into electric drive systems. Dr Hiller presented the company's electrification strategy with the help of an off-highway hybrid demonstration engine, which the company had only recently unveiled at the Intermat in Paris. He also explained how the expertise gained in its construction will be used in future developments in DEUTZ's off-highway core business. Professor Pinkwart was impressed by the innovative and eco-friendly new drive systems and praised the company's spirit of invention. He also commended the strong technological foundations of companies based in North Rhine-Westphalia.

"DEUTZ was one of the pioneers of the industrial revolution and one of the most successful new companies of the time. And now the company is again taking great strides forward into the era of digitalisation," said Minister Pinkwart.

DEUTZ's various digitalisation solutions were also explored, such as the DEUTZ Connect App, an app-based solution for mobile engine diagnostics that Professor Pinkwart was able to try out in a live test.

"We are delighted that Professor Pinkwart, for whom innovation and digitalisation are such a particular focus, was impressed with our electrification solutions and digitalisation concepts. His interest in our Company is a great honour for us," commented Dr Frank Hiller, Chairman of the Board of Management of DEUTZ.

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