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**STEP-G focuses on the obligation to take precaution: No participation at the exhibition ALUMINIUM 2020 of STEP-G**

In recent years, ST Extruded Products Group, STEP-G for short, has always been represented at the exhibition ALUMINIUM in Düsseldorf, the world's most important industry meeting for the industry get-together. "The direct exchange with STEP-G's business partners and customers has been and always will be very important to us. However, in response to the many certain factors and the difficulty to assess future developments, with a heavy heart we have decided not to participate at the exhibition ALUMINIUM 2020," informs Michael Zint, Managing Director STEP-G.

Due to COVID-19, the last months were and continue to be a very challenging time for all people worldwide. Accompanied by many changes and restrictions. It will be a huge challenge to return to normality as quickly as possible and with a focus on health responsibility. It is vitally important for STEP-G to fulfil the new, constantly changing requirements in the market place and to meet its customer needs

Clearly the last few weeks have shown the company that there are still many alternative solutions which can be used and developed in direct exchange with their customers. "We continue to work intensively on a modern, customer-focused alignment of our organisation. In the future, we will offer our business partners and customers further alternative ways of growing the spirit of partnership," says Edgar Gebhart, Sales Director STEP-G.



## Short information

*ST Extruded Products Group, short STEP-G, is one of the world's leading manufacturers of aluminium extrusion profiles. STEP-G is internationally positioned with production sites in Germany, Belgium and China. Our three German extrusions plants located in Bitterfeld, Bonn and Vogt are highly specialised and offer a comprehensive range of profiles and rods as well as further fabrication. Our innovative quality has earned the trust of the automotive industry and its direct suppliers. We also work with the aircraft and railway sector, the general engineering industries and construction. From processing to component finishing or high assembly and logistic systems, our product portfolio offers a full range of possibilities. Our own foundry is fitted with extensive capabilities for specialized alloys and offers our customers one-stop security in terms of both technology and supply.*

### *Founding to present day*

*Our first German plant was founded in 1915 in Bitterfeld. The next opened in Bonn in 1921, followed by Duffel, Belgium in 1946 and Vogt in 1952. The Chinese plant in Tianjin began operating in 2000. Through Aleris International Inc., the Corus Aluminium plants were acquired in 2006. Since the 1st of March 2015, Aleris Aluminium-Extrusions-Division is owned by the Japanese company Sankyo Tateyama, Inc., a producer of construction and extrusion products.*

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