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New Senior Vice President Communications and Public Affairs at Leipzig/Halle and Dresden airports

Mitteldeutsche Flughafen AG has reorganised its corporate communications. On 1 September 2020, the communications expert and journalist Thomas Reinhold will become Senior Vice President Communications and Public Affairs. He is to play a role in advancing the development and modernisation of Leipzig/Halle and Dresden airports, reporting directly to chief executive officer Götz Ahmelmann.

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Thomas Reinhold has substantial experience in corporate communications, management consulting and high-quality journalism. Most recently, as spokesman for the HR manager at thyssenkrupp AG, he was in charge of all issues related to HR and real estate at the Essen-based industrial group.

At the Roland Berger strategy consultancy, Thomas Reinhold was responsible for corporate publishing, among other duties. His career in journalism took him from the Südkurier, a daily newspaper for the Lake Constance region, to the WirtschaftsWoche in Düsseldorf and on to the F.A.Z., where he co-founded the FAZ.NET online editorial team and spent a decade in charge of political and economic reporting.

Götz Ahmelmann, CEO: "It is our great pleasure to bring Thomas Reinhold on board as a manager for the airports in Leipzig/Halle and Dresden. He will consolidate communications at our sites even more strongly and expand the scope of political communications in order to achieve our strategic corporate goals. Thomas Reinhold has the right skills and a fresh outlook. I wish him and his team every success."

Thomas Reinhold: "Leipzig/Halle and Dresden airports have every chance of further expanding their roles as outstanding companies in the region. We aim to improve networking with the various actors in politics, business and society. That requires both openness and transparent, reliable and appreciative communication. I am delighted to grasp this chance and help write such an extraordinary story."

Staying in his position as the company's press spokesman, Uwe Schuhart will report to Thomas Reinhold as the Director of Media Relations/PR.

About Mitteldeutsche Flughafen AG

Mitteldeutsche Flughafen AG has three subsidiaries: Leipzig/Halle Airport, Dresden Airport and PortGround.

Leipzig/Halle Airport handled about 2.62 million passengers and approx. 1.24 million tonnes of air freight during 2019. This makes it Germany's second-largest cargo airport. The airport is connected to the A9 and A14 motorways and has a railway station that forms an integral part of the central terminal. This ensures that passengers from central Germany and beyond can reach the airport directly.

Dresden Airport handled about 1.6 million passengers in 2019. A link to the A4 motorway and a local railway station in the terminal ensure that passengers from the catchment areas in Saxony, the south of Brandenburg, the north of the Czech Republic and western Poland can reach the airport and leave it again in comfort.

PortGround offers ground, freight and other extensive services at Leipzig/Halle and Dresden Airports round the clock.

The two airports belonging to Mitteldeutsche Flughafen AG registered 107,563 aircraft movements and handled about 4.22 million passengers in 2019.