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SBB Cargo International founds train drivers' academy

Duisburg – As of 1 October 2016, SBB Cargo International is founding a training and services company known as Lokführer-Akademie (“train drivers’ academy”). In doing so, the railway undertaking is taking steps to counter the general shortage of drivers.

The German subsidiary SBB Cargo Deutschland GmbH has been training railway employees for operating duties since 2008. To achieve the levels of quality and reliability needed to cope with the strong growth in traffic at SBB Cargo International AG and to counter the general, sector-wide shortage of train drivers in Germany and Switzerland, greater emphasis is being put on training and HR services to cover the group’s own needs as well as those of the market. Above all, this is being done in a neutral manner, as required for this market.

Matthias Birnbaum, the sole Managing Director of SBB Cargo Deutschland GmbH to date, will set up the newly founded company “Lokführer-Akademie Railway Training & Service” and act as its chief executive.

As of 1 October 2016, Mr Götz Jesberg will join the executive management of SBB Cargo Deutschland, where he will be responsible for production in Germany and the Netherlands. By doing so, he will also be strengthening the management team of SBB Cargo International AG.