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### **Ann-Kristin Achleitner joins Advisory Board for Energy Service Provider Techem**

**Eschborn, Germany; July 22, 2020.** The owners of Techem, one of the leading global service providers for smart and sustainable real estate, will strengthen its Advisory Board with the appointment of Prof. Dr. Dr. Dr. h. c. Ann-Kristin Achleitner as an independent member, effective as of October 1, 2020. Ann-Kristin Achleitner will assume the role of Chair of the Nomination & Compensation Committee within this body. In this position she will be involved in the appointment and remuneration of key positions at Techem.

"With Ann-Kristin Achleitner, we have gained a proven corporate governance expert with many years of experience in advisory bodies and serving on the Supervisory Boards of large and medium-sized German and international companies. Further, Ann-Kristin Achleitner knows the challenges and opportunities for companies operating in a regulated environment from previous roles on Supervisory Boards," stated Andreas Umbach, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Techem and the Board of Directors of the company's owners. "We will benefit from this knowledge and her experience in the future and we are very pleased that Ann-Kristin Achleitner will support Techem on its journey of a strategic repositioning and its transformation to become the central digital service partner for the real estate sector."

"Techem gives me the opportunity to get back into a non-listed technology-driven growth company alongside my Dax mandates," says Ann-Kristin Achleitner on her appointment.

Techem is actively promoting the further development of its corporate culture, which is also reflected in its modern, flexible and highly entrepreneurial governance style with a focus on value creation. This new style of corporate governance initiated by Partners Group with its entry as majority shareholder is put into practice every day at all levels of Techem and it has been sustainably implemented. "Ann-Kristin Achleitner underlines this successful strategic approach with her wealth of experience from science and practice as well as her independence. We very much look forward to working with her in the future," stated Jürgen Diegruber from Partners Group, Techem's majority owner, on behalf of its clients.

With effect from October 2020, the Board will consist of nine members, including three members that are independent of the owners.

Ann-Kristin Achleitner currently serves amongst others on the Supervisory Boards of Linde plc, Munich Reinsurance Company as well as InvestCorp. The economist and lawyer was previously a long-serving member of the Supervisory Board of the French energy company Engie SA and a member of the Board of Directors of the Swiss company Vontobel Holding



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AG, among others. From 2012 to 2016, Ann-Kristin Achleitner was a member of the Government Commission of the German Corporate Governance Code.

### **About Techem**

Techem is one of the world's leading service providers for smart and green buildings. The company's services cover energy management, resource protection, healthy living and process efficiency in real estate. Founded in 1952, the company is now active in 20 countries with over 3,500 employees and services more than 11 million homes. Techem offers efficiency improvements along the entire value chain of heat and water in real estate. The company's products and solutions avoid around 8.5 million tons of CO2 every year. As the market leader in remote metering of energy consumption in homes, Techem continues to drive connectivity and digital processes in real estate. Modern wireless smoke detectors with remote inspection and services for improving the quality of drinking water in real estate round off the solution portfolio for the housing industry. Further information can be found at [www.techem.de](http://www.techem.de)

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