



## Press release

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### **Hager Group enters into exclusive negotiations with Berker GmbH & Co. KG for a possible future cooperation**

Hager Group has signed an agreement with Berker GmbH & Co. KG in order to engage in exclusive negotiations for a future cooperation.

#### **About the Hager Group**

The Hager Group, founded in 1955, is an independent, family-run company that is a leading supplier of systems, solutions and services for electro-technical installations. Its range of services extends from energy distribution and wiring to smart building automation and security technology, made available to private homes, commercial property, and industrial plants.

With more than 10 000 employees, sales agencies in more than 55 countries, and 24 production sites worldwide, the Group has an annual turnover of more than 1.3 billion euros.

#### **About Berker GmbH & Co. KG**

Berker is a family-run business rich in traditions and a brand internationally renowned for its switch design.

Since 1919 the company has been producing high-quality electrical installations, from timelessly classic switch designs through to intelligent building management systems.

The emphasis on design, quality and innovation is confirmed by the numerous awards received in both Germany and internationally.

With over 700 employees in Schalkmühle and Ottfingen, Berker's annual turnover is more than 100 million euros. The company delivers its products to more than 50 countries through its 5 European and Asian subsidiaries and its 37 distribution partners.