

## Press release

### **A total of 1980 years of service to the company Progroup honours 136 employees at 13 international plants**

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**Landau, 16 December 2020** – Progroup is honouring 136 employees across different sites for their many years of service to the company. Together they boast 1980 years of professional experience. Over this time, they have made a key contribution to the growth and development of the containerboard and corrugated sheetboard manufacturer, which operates right across Europe.

This year the ten, 20 and 25 year anniversaries can only be celebrated on a small scale. This is because the ceremonies as part of the traditional end-of-year celebrations at the company's sites in Germany, England, France, Italy, the Czech Republic and Poland had to be cancelled this year owing to the current coronavirus regulations.

“The end-of-year celebrations at the various sites are very important to Progroup. They are a lovely and important tradition for honouring the commitment and dedication of our employees. This year the dynamic changes owing to Covid-19 meant that we reluctantly had to cancel them. We are fully aware of the burden that the virus is placing on our employees. We would have loved to offer you an appropriate end-of-year celebration to thank you for your outstanding dedication particularly during this challenging year,” says Maximilian Heindl, Chief Development Officer and member of the Board of Progroup.

“2020 has impressed upon us that our guiding motto ‘One Group. One Goal. One Team.’ is embraced by our employees not just in positive times. In particular during challenging phases, it becomes very clear how well we all work together as a team. Long-standing colleagues play a crucial part in this. We extend our sincere thanks to them for their loyal service and their contribution to our shared success. We are very proud and grateful for their loyalty,” stresses Jürgen Heindl, founder and Chief Executive Officer of Progroup.

**About Progroup**

*Progroup AG, located in Landau in the German state of Rhineland-Palatinate, Germany, is one of the leading manufacturers of containerboard and corrugated board in Europe. Since it was founded in 1991 in Offenbach/Queich, the company has been pursuing a consistent growth strategy which, in addition to technological leadership, is also based on the use of innovative and environmentally friendly production technologies. Progroup operates production sites in six countries in Central Europe. These currently include three paper factories, eleven corrugated sheetfeeder plants, a logistics company and an RDF power station. With 1,293 employees, the company generated sales of around 887 million euros in 2019.*

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