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### **SGL CFL CE becomes COBEX**

- Stand-alone presence of a well-known team on the carbon and graphite products' market.
- The new name COBEX stands for 'Experts in Carbon Solutions'
- COBEX will continue to operate on the market as a global expert in carbon and graphite products used in the primary aluminium and iron making industry and in other metallurgical smelting processes

**Wiesbaden, Germany, 14 May 2018** - Something is afoot in the international carbon and graphite product business: the previous SGL CFL CE business unit of the SGL Group has become a new, stand-alone company. After a change of ownership, the company is now ready to compete on the global stage under the name of COBEX.

'The name of the new company – COBEX – stands for Experts in Carbon Solutions. The colours black and red symbolise the connection between the basic materials, carbon and graphite, and the use of our products in the industrial world. The name COBEX is new, but we will continue to operate on the market as a global expert in carbon and graphite products used in the primary aluminium and iron making industry and in other metallurgical smelting processes,' explain Frank Goede and Andrzej Hotlos, the Managing Directors of COBEX. They continue: 'We are combining the best of both worlds: COBEX unites long-held company tradition and the solid expertise of its employees with the flexibility of a medium-sized company. As a globally established brand for carbon and graphite products, COBEX addresses the needs of a target group that demands reliability and top performance. Just as in the past, we will continue to bring the best of carbon and graphite products to the market today. We will still offer products that customers from all segments of industry around the world have put their trust in for decades.'

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### **About us: COBEX**

Cobex is a global leader in the manufacture of carbon and graphite products for the primary aluminium and iron making industry and other metallurgical smelting processes. COBEX's core areas of expertise lie in the manufacture of cathodes, furnace linings and carbon electrodes in premium quality and with maximum consistency. COBEX enjoys long-standing, trust-based partnerships with numerous customers around the world. Through innovative solutions, COBEX helps its customers create added value and optimise total cost of ownership. A highly skilled team with years of experience in product development and application assists our customers with their technical knowledge and expertise. COBEX is based in Wiesbaden, Germany. The company also has two plants in Poland and a Technical Service office in China.