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Atlas Copco, a leading provider of sustainable productivity solutions, has completed the acquisition of Leybold Vacuum

September 1st, 2016 – Effective as of September 1, 2016, Atlas Copco AB (Stockholm, Sweden) owns the former Oerlikon Leybold Vacuum GmbH, renamed Leybold GmbH. Founded in 1873, Atlas Copco is a global player with more than 43,000 employees in over 180 countries. Leybold becomes part of the Vacuum Solutions Division, belonging to the Compressor Technique Business Area, with approximately 6,500 employees represented in over 35 countries.

With this acquisition, Atlas Copco trusts the strengths of the vacuum specialists at Leybold, founded in 1850, who will keep their traditional and well-known brand in the market. "The technological know-how and the innovative spirit of Leybold will complement our vacuum portfolio and strengthen our market presence, contributing to our customers' success," says Geert Follens, President of the Atlas Copco Vacuum Solutions Division.

Leybold, headquartered in Cologne, Germany, and has a 166-year long history, develops and delivers vacuum pumps, systems, standardized and customized vacuum solutions and services for various industries. As a leading supplier of vacuum technology, Leybold offers sustainable solutions for industrial processes such as secondary metallurgy and a range of coating technologies. With a high application expertise in the fields of analytical instruments, display production as well as in research and development, Leybold ranks among the world's top providers and has always been a part of well-known, globally active companies.

With rough, medium, high and ultra-high vacuum pumps, vacuum systems, vacuum gauges, leak detectors, components and valves, as well as consulting and engineering of turnkey vacuum solutions, Leybold provides a very broad portfolio for general and specific customer applications. "We will continue to support our customers in the future with our vacuum expertise. Our enhanced product portfolio, sustainable after-sales services and proximity to our customer will distinguish us as a reliable business partner", says Steffen Saur, Chief Marketing Officer, responsible for the global sales and service activities of Leybold. "Additionally, by combining Atlas Copco's and Leybold's strengths in industrial dry pumps and scientific turbo pumps, it will provide a technology platform for superior next generation products."

As a pioneer of vacuum technology, Leybold will continue to focus on performance and growth in the industrial, research and development, and analytical market sectors.



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About Atlas Copco

Atlas Copco is a world-leading provider of sustainable productivity solutions. The Group serves customers with innovative compressors, vacuum solutions and air treatment systems, construction and mining equipment, power tools and assembly systems. Atlas Copco develops products and services focused on productivity, energy efficiency, safety and ergonomics. The company was founded in 1873, is based in Stockholm, Sweden, and has a global reach spanning more than 180 countries. In 2015, Atlas Copco had revenues of BSEK 102 (BEUR 11) and more than 43 000 employees.

About Leybold

Leybold is a part of the Vacuum Solution Division within the Atlas Copco's Compressor Technique business area and offers a broad range of advanced vacuum solutions for use in manufacturing and analytical processes, as well as for research purposes. The core capabilities center on the development of application- and customer-specific systems for the creation of vacuums and extraction of processing gases. Fields of application are coating technologies, solar and thin films such as displays, research & development, analytical instruments, as well as classic industrial processes.