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| New appointment at Schaeffler (UK) LimitedSchaeffler appoints Leigh Hopkins as Country Sales Director, Industrial UK |

*Birmingham, UK* | *17. March 2020* | Schaeffler has announced the appointment of Leigh Hopkins as Country Sales Director Industrial at Schaeffler (UK) Limited. Leigh will be based at Schaeffler UK’s new offices in Fort Dunlop, Birmingham.

Leigh joined Schaeffler in 1994, working in various roles in quality and sales before being appointed Regional Sales Manager (South) in 2011, which also involved developing new business for the UK and Ireland. In 2016, Leigh was appointed as Industrial Sales Director, UK and Ireland. In his new role as Country Sales Director, Industrial UK, Leigh is responsible for all UK industrial direct sales to OEMs and MRO (Maintenance, Repair and Operations) customers. Leigh also assumes the role of Site Manager for Fort Dunlop. He will report to Regis Walter, President Industrial West and South Europe and on a UK Country level to Greig Littlefair, Managing Director, Schaeffler (UK) Limited.

Leigh is responsible for Schaeffler UK’s entire Industrial team of Regional Sales Engineers whose goal is to work closely with Schaeffler’s Authorised Distribution Partners‘ regional sales teams and branches in order to jointly strengthen Schaeffler UK’s position with end customers.

As Leigh comments: “I am really excited to be taking on the responsibility for Schaeffler’s Industrial sales in the UK, where we see strong growth potential, particularly with the new Schaeffler products being introduced to market over the next few months. As a technology leader, our local team of experts are a key part of the Schaeffler Global Technology Network. They place the highest value on customer relationships and improving the total cost of ownership by delivering the right technical solutions for customers.”

For more information, please contact Schaeffler UK’s Communications & Branding Department on [info.uk@schaeffler.com](mailto:info.uk@schaeffler.com)

A person wearing a suit and tie smiling at the camera

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*Leigh Hopkins, Country Sales Director, Industrial UK.*

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