

To Photonics21 Secretariat

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Dear Photonics21 Secretariat

We herewith submit the nomination of the following Photonics21 Board of Stakeholders candidate ams-OSRAM AG / Karin Ronijak

- Letter of Nomination Photonics21 Board of Stakeholders
Election 2023

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1. Full legal name of the affiliation nominated as BoS Member (candidate's organisation):

ams-OSRAM AG

2. Full contact details of the affiliation (street, postal code, country) nominated as BoS Member and invoice address (In accordance with the Terms of Reference §5, which the Affiliation acknowledges having received, an Annual Service fee will be invoiced every year during the first quarter to the BoS Member. By signing the present letter, the BoS candidate agrees to pay this Membership Fee. The Fee will be considered an asset of the Photonics 21 AISBL in accordance with its statutes (article 12b).)

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3. Name of the suggested BoS Representative (the personal candidate)

Dr. Karin Ronijak

- 4. Information about the BoS candidate and the BoS representative
- a) Description of the activities and information about the expected contribution and value added the nominated BoS member (candidate's organisation) will bring to the BoS<sup>1</sup>

The ams OSRAM Group is a global independent semiconductor company, an Integrated Device Manufacturer ("IDM") that designs, develops, manufactures and markets a broad range of products, based on different technologies, especially in the optical field. By adding intelligence to light and passion to innovation, ams OSRAM enriches people's lives. This is what is called "Sensing is Life". With over 110 years of combined history, ams OSRAM core is defined by imagination, deep engineering expertise and the ability to provide global industrial capacity in sensor and light technologies. The organization creates exciting innovations that enable their customers in the automotive, consumer, industrial and healthcare sectors to maintain their competitive edge and to drive innovation that meaningfully im-proves the quality of life in terms of health, safety and convenience, while reducing impact on the environment.

ams OSRAM produces semiconductor devices and solutions that are used in numerous applications downstream, chips and components can be found in many products, from cars and medical equipment, through consumables and mobile devices, to smartphones and industrial equipment. ams OSRAM's most important end markets are the automotive market, consumer devices such as smartphones and wearables, and industrial and medical technology. Around 22,000 employees worldwide focus on in-novation across sensing, illumination and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The candidate is aware and accepts that according to the Photonics21 Terms of Reference (§ 5 (10) a member ship fee - as determined by the General Assembly of the Association - needs to be paid to the Photonics21 association.

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visualization to make journeys safer, medical diagnosis more accurate and daily moments in communication a richer experience. ams OSRAM's work creates technology for breakthrough applications, which is reflected in over 15,000 patents granted and applied.

b) Description of the activities and information about expected contribution and value added the BoS Representative (candidate / person) will bring to the BoS.

Karin Ronijak is the Vice President and Head of Global Public R&D Funding of ams-OSRAM AG. In this role, she is responsible for governmental subsidies, R&D grants, and related strategic partnerships. Her key responsibilities are evaluating current and future R&D grants and subsidies, she is contributing to Strategic Research Agendas and she is consulting Business Units and the Management Team to develop funding roadmaps. Working more than 15 years in the Semiconductor Business, she has a wide experience in the field of Photonics. With almost 25 years of experience in high tech industries, she is an expert in that field.

Karin served for many years as a board member of the Austrian photonics cluster, Photonics Austria. She was not just a key contributor for the European Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA) but contributed also significantly to the Austrian photonics strategy. Furthermore, her commitment to fostering international cooperations is evident through her active involvement in connecting Austrian photonics with technology platforms from other countries. Notably she has been a strong advocate for supporting the next generation of European photonics professionals, actively participating in initiatives like Carla-Camp and promoting the Photonics Explorer throughout Austria.

Karin started her career in 1998 at KWK GmbH & Co KG (automotive company) in Frankfurt, Germany where she was a Marketing Manager. Before joining ams OSRAM, she worked as a Senior Marketing Manager for AVL List GmbH. She studied Business Administration in Graz (Austria) and Los Angeles (USA) and holds a Diploma Degree in Business Administrations and a Doctorate Degree in Social and Economic Science both from the Karl-Franzens-University of Graz.

With her experience in Innovation- and Technology-Marketing she is a communication expert and received many awards and certifications. She is a citizen of Austria.