



Partners for Precision Optical Assemblies

SCHOTT and Research Electro-Optics Form a Strategic Alliance for North America and Europe

Mainz (Germany) / San Francisco (USA), May 13, 2013 – SCHOTT Advanced Optics and Research Electro-Optics (REO) are now strategic partners. This allows them to provide a single source for a broad array of coated precision optical components including lenses, prisms and windows. In addition, both partners can enhance their ability to innovate and deliver custom integrated optical assemblies for current and new applications and markets.

The rising demand for innovation, quality and added value in industrial and commercial optical applications drives this partnership: By combining SCHOTT's ability to manufacture and develop optical glasses and materials with REO's fabrication and thin-film coating expertise, both partners are now able to establish new visible, infrared and laser components, filters and other novel products.

"In REO we have found a cooperation partner who strengthens our capabilities in finishing optical components," says Peter Kruell, Director of Sales and Marketing for EMEA and Americas at SCHOTT Advanced Optics. "This partnership allows us to further optimize our materials for use in lasers, night-vision systems, and other demanding applications. We are now able to bring precision optical components and assemblies to customers through a single source," Kruell explains.

"SCHOTT Advanced Optics has proven optical material expertise and measurement capabilities in areas such as high homogeneous glasses, filter glass and specialty materials," says Ed Yousse, Vice President of Sales and Marketing at REO. "By combining our strengths, we are able to bring to market ready-to-use optical components and assemblies that fit customers' specifications and needs," Yousse underlines.

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REO's strengths in advanced process technologies like superpolishing, ion-beam sputtering, diamond turning, infrared coating, and activated covalent bonding make it a key partner for SCHOTT. In addition, precision alignment and bonding along with a complete metrology capability enable REO to deliver some of the world's best optical assemblies.

Together, SCHOTT's advanced optical materials and REO's design expertise and process technologies ensure industry-leading performance for a broad range of demanding applications. SCHOTT Advanced Optics will cooperate with REO in North America, Germany, Switzerland, Scandinavia, Belgium, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom.

Additional information: www.schott.com/advanced_optics

SCHOTT is an international technology group with more than 125 years of experience in the areas of specialty glasses and materials and advanced technologies. SCHOTT ranks number one in the world with many of its products. Its core markets are the household appliance, pharmaceuticals, electronics, optics, solar power, transportation and architecture industries. The company is strongly committed to contributing to its customers' success and making SCHOTT an important part of people's lives with its high-quality products and intelligent solutions. SCHOTT is committed to managing its business in a sustainable manner and supporting its employees, society and the environment. The SCHOTT Group maintains close proximity to its customers with manufacturing and sales units in 35 different countries. Its workforce of around 16,000 employees generated worldwide sales of approximately 2 billion euros for the 2011/2012 fiscal year. SCHOTT AG, with its headquarters in Mainz, Germany, is owned by the Carl Zeiss Foundation.

REO produces high precision thin film coatings, optics and opto-mechanical assemblies for the ultraviolet, visible and infrared. Located in Boulder, CO, USA, the company primarily services medium to high volume OEMs including manufacturers of defense and aerospace systems, laser systems, semiconductor tools, medical systems, life sciences instrumentation and telecom equipment. REO is a privately held company.

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