

## Press Release

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# Deceuninck appoints Philippe Maeckelberghe as Chief Financial Officer

**Hooglede-Gits, 15 April 2008. – Deceuninck, the global leading producer of plastic window systems and building profiles, announces today the appointment of Philippe Maeckelberghe as Chief Financial Officer. The appointment of Philippe Maeckelberghe comes into effect as of 1 June 2008. In this function, he succeeds Dirk Demeulemeester, whose collaboration with Deceuninck will be ended in joint agreement. Dirk Demeulemeester will remain available to the Deceuninck Group until 30 September 2008 in order to facilitate a smooth transfer of the function.**

Currently, Philippe Maeckelberghe is the European Director of Accounting at Scientific-Atlanta, a pillar of the Service Provider Video Technology division of Cisco. During part of his career, he worked at Barco, where he held financial functions across various business units. After the split of the Barco group in 2000, he started at BarcoNet as Vice-President of Finance. In 2002, BarcoNet was taken over by the American group Scientific-Atlanta, Inc., which in its turn was taken over by the American Cisco in 2006.

Philippe Maeckelberghe has a Master degree in Applied Economic Sciences from the University of Antwerp, an MBA degree from KU Leuven, and a Master degree in Controllanship from the Vlerick Leuven Gent Management School.

With reference to Dirk Demeulemeester's departure, Clement De Meersman says: "During his long career as the CFO at the Deceuninck Group, Dirk has made an important contribution towards the financial structure and organisation of the Deceuninck Group, which during that period has evolved from a strictly European player into a global leading player. In the name of all employees of the Group, I wish to thank Dirk for his efforts and his commitment over the past 15 years."

### About Deceuninck

Deceuninck is an integrated group of world format, specialised in compounding, tool fabrication, design, development, extrusion, finishing, recycling and injection moulding of PVC-U window systems and profiles and gaskets and composite applications for the building industry. The company is active in more than 75 countries, has 35 subsidiaries (production and/or sales) and is supported by 2.940 personnel, 680 of them in Belgium. In 2007 the Deceuninck Group achieved consolidated sales of 657 million euros.

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