

**Press release****Microweld joins the Acrotec Group**

**Attracted by the values and dynamic technology of the Swiss company, Microweld – the French company which specialises in laser applications – is now part of the Acrotec family.**

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Founded by Norbert Giraud in 1997, in Chavanod, a few kilometres from Annecy (France), Microweld today employs around forty employees across two sites. Microweld, which specialises in laser applications, uses this technology for microwelding, microcutting, surface structuring and ablation for medical, aerospace, automotive, mechatronics and other industries.

*Microweld joins the Acrotec Group after 24 years of continued growth.*

*"I was assured of the human qualities of my contacts at Acrotec, notably François Billig, with whom I have always shared the same approach," explains CEO Norbert Giraud. "Acrotec will enable us to enter new markets, particularly across the Atlantic, and to promote our expertise there."*

*"Microweld's expertise in laser applications carries a real added technological value to the Group," explains François Billig, CEO of Acrotec. "It enables us to develop a laser centre of expertise with all the other Group member companies that are active in this field. Microweld will also help us grow our medical division services for our current and prospective clients."*

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**About Microweld:** Microweld is based in Chavanod, on the outskirts of Annecy in Haute-Savoie, France, which is the European intersection of a wealth of industries specialising in the field of mechanics and screw machining. Microweld specialises in laser applications. With an inventory of around thirty different laser technologies, including Femto, Microweld is active in microwelding, microcutting, etching, surface structuring and ablation for medical, aerospace, automotive, mechatronics and other industries. The company, which employs around forty people, has numerous ISO 13485, EN 9100 and ISO 9001 certifications and is the European leader in the subcontracting market. <http://www.microweld.fr/en/>

**About the Acrotec Group:** Acrotec is an independent group created by micromechanics professionals. Its main objective is to be a reference subcontractor by offering a wide range of manufacturing processes for precision components. Its strategy is both to provide "Swiss Made" quality products to the entire watch industry as well as to the automotive, electronics, medical, jewelry and aeronautics industries. Acrotec distinguishes itself by the extent of the know-how exercised under the same roof, in **precision machining** (CNC turning, CNC multispindle turning, cam-operated turning, 3 & 5 axis milling, micro-turning, transfer and machining of precious metals), by **support processes** (surface treatment, cutting, assembly, heat treatment, decoration and laser engraving) and by **specific processes** (realization of components by UV-Liga, wire erosion/sinking, machining of synthetic stones, lamination, shaping of springs, realization of machines and tools and engraving on silicon - DRIE). Currently, the Group has more than 1,350 employees.

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