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Franke invests in strategic partnership with Dalla Corte S.R.L.

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The Swiss Franke Group welcomes Dalla Corte S.R.L., a premium coffee machine manufacturer from Italy, into its family of companies. With this strategic partnership, Franke is expanding its range of professional coffee machines with traditional espresso machines. The two companies will continue to operate on the market independently in the future.

The Swiss Franke Group, with its headquarters in Aarburg, has acquired a majority stake in Dalla Corte S.R.L as of the end of June. This Italian company from Milan (Baranzate) produces traditional portafilter espresso machines in the premium segment for private and professional use. The company was founded by the Dalla Corte family in 2001 and is known for its multi-boiler technology, developed and patented in the same year, which is benchmark for the entire semi-automatic espresso machine sector.

With this strategic partnership, the Franke Group is expanding the brand product range of its Franke Coffee Systems division with traditional espresso machines. Dalla Corte and Franke complement each other perfectly: they have a complementary product range and both operate in the premium segment.

Dalla Corte will continue to manage its business from the company's head office in Italy as an independent brand and company and thereby concentrate on its existing distribution channels. The workforce under Paolo Dalla Corte's leadership will remain and will continue its efforts to stand out from the competition through innovative strength.

Patrik Wohlhauser, CEO of the Franke Group, comments: "As a manufacturer of traditional espresso machines, Dalla Corte focuses on the essentials: The consistently perfect espresso taste which, thanks to innovative technology, meets the highest quality standards. In Dalla Corte, we have found a partner

that shares the same values as Franke in terms of quality, technology and innovation.” And he also adds: “I am convinced that this combination will be positive for both sides.”

Paolo Dalla Corte, founder and CEO of Dalla Corte, can also see the benefits of the new partnership: “We are proud of the merger with Franke and convinced of the possibility of great growth potential to further strengthen our international business. With Franke at our side, we can face future market challenges more effectively and expand our status as a technological leader in the semi-automatic coffee machine sector”.

Dalla Corte

Dalla Corte is an international producer of espresso machines based in Milano, Italy. We all have a passion. The thing that drives us. The thing we love. At Dalla Corte, we are devoted to coffee, and for over ten years it is been our mission to prove our machines give baristas the power to create their perfect coffee. Learn more at www.dallacorte.com

Franke Coffee Systems

Franke Coffee Systems is a world-leading solution provider of fully automatic coffee machines for professional coffee preparation. Our passion for the best coffee quality motivates us to elevate the customer experience through state-of-the-art innovations. Learn more at coffee.franke.com

Franke Group

Franke is part of the Artemis Group and is a global leader of solutions and equipment for home kitchens, private bathrooms, semi-public/public washrooms, professional system catering and coffee preparation. The Franke Group employs around 9000 people in 40 countries worldwide and has generated sales of some CHF 2.1 billion. Learn more at www.franke-group.com

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