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Orca Welcomes New Leadership, Same Mission at Gladen

Alexandra Gladen assumes CEO role, retains strong management team

CAMARILLO, CALIF., January 25, 2017 (MEDIAWIRE) – Orca Design and Manufacturing, sole North American importer of Gladen Audio products, is pleased to welcome Alexandra Gladen as the new CEO of Gladen Europe. She takes over following the untimely passing of her husband and company founder Henning Gladen late last year. Her appointment, along with the strong leadership of managers Judith Zimmerman and Mario Kugler, ensures a continued commitment to the quality manufacturing and innovation for which the company is best known.

“Henning was a friend and a visionary, and he will be missed,” said Kimon Bellas, president and owner of Orca. “And yet, part of his genius was in surrounding himself with a great team. He empowered his people to infuse their own creativity and experience into the products we all enjoy. I have full faith that, even in his absence, the company he started will grow and evolve.”

The Gladen product evolution was in evidence at the Orca Design suite during the 2017 CES. Orca showcased the four new processors from the company’s Mosconi brand: the Gladen DSP 6to8 and 8to12 Aerospace, and the Gladen DSP 6to8 and 8to12 Pro. The 8to12 Aerospace is currently available; the remainder will ship in first quarter.

Alexandra will take counsel from Zimmerman, who serves as deputy general manager for the brand, as well as Kugler, who oversees product and technical development. The duo will continue to manage the day-to-day operations at the company’s Walddorfhäslach, Germany headquarters.

About Gladen

Gladen Europe GMBH manufactures some of the world’s finest audio components using technologies from the aerospace and automotive industries to ensure no-compromise quality and long-term reliability. The company complements its speaker offerings through distribution of Mosconi amplifiers and digital signal processors. For more information, visit gladen.com.

About Orca Design and Manufacturing

Based in Southern California, Orca acts as importer/distributor, designer and manufacturer for a variety of notable brands. We are the sole U.S. distributor for Focal mobile audio, and import speakers by Gladen Audio of Germany and Italian-made Mosconi amplifiers. In addition, we design quality products under the Illusion Audio brand, and offer Blackhole damping materials and Raven pure ribbon tweeters for home and mobile installations alike. For more information, visit our website at orcadesign.com.

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[Gladen Team](#) (l to r): Judith Zimmerman, Alexandra Gladen, Mario Kugler.

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