Stratasys VP Jeffrey DeGrange Joins 3D Printing Company Impossible Objects LLC

Additive Manufacturing Veteran Will Help Impossible Objects Lead the Next Industry Evolution

Northbrook, IL (April 23, 2015) – Impossible Objects LLC announced today the appointment of former Stratasys Vice President, Jeff DeGrange, as its Chief Commercial Officer (CCO). In this role, DeGrange will serve as a key member of the management team and focus on driving commercial success of the company with an emphasis on sales, strategy, product marketing and business development. He will report directly to Larry Kaplan, CEO of Impossible Objects and work closely with all members of the management team including Impossible Objects' founder and chairman, Bob Swartz.

A veteran of the additive manufacturing industry, DeGrange's prior positions include Vice President at 3D printing company Stratasys Ltd. (Nasdaq:SSYS) in the areas of product and business development and application engineering, and Corporate Technology Manager at The Boeing Company (NYSE:BA). At Boeing, DeGrange led the certification and qualification of flight parts built with additive manufacturing technologies and other advanced manufacturing initiatives.

"We are thrilled to announce the appointment of Jeff DeGrange as CCO and are confident that, with his skills and experience, DeGrange can help us grow into a world-class company," said Kaplan. Swartz added "DeGrange is a respected leader in the additive manufacturing industry and his decision to join Impossible Objects is a recognition of the importance of our completely new additive manufacturing technology". DeGrange said, "Impossible Objects' CBAM technology is the most exciting recent breakthrough in additive manufacturing that I've seen, enabling functional parts of carbon fiber and other composites unlike anything else in the marketplace. I am excited to be a part of the team and to help lead the next evolution in the industry with a technology that makes parts faster, stronger and with a wider range of materials."

DeGrange helped found the Direct Manufacturing Research Center in Paderborn, Germany, and was named by Time Compression Technologies Magazine of Europe among the "Top 25 most influential people in the world in rapid product development and manufacturing." In addition to his previous leadership positions at Stratasys, where he spent six years, DeGrange held various materials, process and equipment engineering positions at Boeing and McDonnell Douglas (acquired by Boeing) where he spent a total of more than 20 years. DeGrange received a B.S. in Industrial Engineering from University of Iowa and an M.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Washington University, St. Louis. DeGrange serves on various industry advisory boards, including the Society of Manufacturing Engineers.

Impossible Objects LLC, headquartered in Northbrook, Illinois, is maker of the world's first Composite-Based Additive Manufacturing (CBAM) technology using fabrics of carbon fiber, Kelvar, fiberglass and more to produce functional parts, with faster build speeds, stronger mechanical properties and a wider range of materials than other additive manufacturing technologies, while enabling complex geometries not possible using conventional composite manufacturing techniques. Learn more at http://impossible-objects.com.

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