

## **We zijn er trots op om de verbinding tot stand te hebben gebracht tussen de twee mooie bedrijven Robomotive en Kardex!**

### **Media Information**

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#### **Kardex acquires majority share in Robomotive**

*Kardex has acquired the majority share in the Dutch company Robomotive. Founded in 2011, the company develops and implements smart robot technologies. Robomotive's unique selling point is mimicking the adaptive eye-hand coordination of humans with the help of robots, 3D cameras, grippers, and smart software algorithms. This combination of soft- and hardware makes it possible to recognize, locate, and grip objects without the need for teach-in processes.*

*With this investment, Kardex is expanding its range of services in the field of order picking. Kardex CEO Jens Fankhänel says: "With Robomotive's technology, we are addressing an important strategic future topic in intralogistics. Automatic order picking in full-case but also in item picking will play an increasingly important role in distribution and production logistics. Together with Robomotive we can add fully integrated, automated picking solutions to our portfolio."*

*With its standardized products "Pickmate" for palletizing and depalletizing mixed cases and "ItemPicker" for the individual access to small articles from a random group, Robomotive has already successfully implemented numerous applications in the logistics sector.*

*Michael Vermeer, founder and CEO of Robomotive, is very enthusiastic: "With Kardex we have gained a strategic partner who is at home in the logistics environment. Kardex's products and Robomotive's technology complement each other perfectly for solutions for the fully automated picking of articles. Our applications will thus gain a worldwide sales and service network. I am also particularly pleased that Robomotive can maintain its entrepreneurial approach and innovative strength."*

*Robomotive currently employes 9 FTE. The parties have agreed not to disclose further details.*

### **Robomotive Corporate profile**

Robomotive gives eyes to robots to give you a helping hand. With these inexhaustible and versatile mechanical hands we help you lower the operational costs of your material handling processes. These mechanical hands can automatically pick, process and place products like humans do, 24 hours a day without a break. Picking can be done from randomly orientated unknown objects out of any kind of original packaging with high speeds up to 1100 picks/hour. Processing can be separating, orientating, sorting, scanning, printing, but mostly transporting products from A to B. Placing can also be done to all kinds of packaging (like gitterboxes, europallets, totes, flowracks, etc) or into a machine.

### **Kardex Corporate profile**

The Kardex Group is a global industry partner for intra-logistic solutions and a leading supplier of automated storage solutions and material handling systems. The Group consists of two entrepreneurially managed divisions, Kardex Remstar and Kardex Mlog. Kardex Remstar develops, produces and maintains dynamic storage and retrieval systems and Kardex Mlog offers integrated materials handling systems and automated high-bay warehouses. The two divisions are partners for their customers over the entire life cycle of a product or solution. This begins with the assessment of customer requirements and continues through planning, realization and maintenance of customer-specific systems. It ensures a high level of availability combined with low total cost of ownership and operation. Around 1900 employees in over 30 countries work for the Kardex Group. Kardex AG is listed on the Swiss SIX Stock Exchange since 1987.