

NUBURU Expands Leadership team with CEO and CFO Appointments

Technology industry veteran Guy Gilliland, Ph.D. has been named CEO alongside photonics executive Chris Baldwin as CFO

Centennial, CO, Nov 19, 2020 - <u>NUBURU</u>, the industry leader in high power and high brightness industrial blue lasers, today announced the executive appointments of Dr. Guy Gilliland as Chief Executive Officer and Chris Baldwin as Chief Financial Officer.

Dr. Gilliland brings over 20 years of management experience from the Boston Consulting Group (BCG) where he led the firm's global and North American technology practice and advised several of the world's largest telecommunications, technology, electronics and photonics companies. Dr. Gilliland has a deep background in laser physics and served as a postdoctoral fellow at the IBM T.J. Watson Research Center and a faculty member at Arizona State University and Emory University.

"NUBURU's blue light laser technology is poised to transform the production of high-volume electronics, EVs and batteries, while also accelerating the world of metal 3D printing. I am honored to join the team at NUBURU and look forward to leading the company in its mission to revolutionize industrial manufacturing," said Dr. Gilliland. "Our powerful technology platform advances what is possible in high-volume materials processing and delivers vital productivity and resolution improvements to metal additive manufacturing. We have assembled a powerhouse team to reach its full potential."

Chris Baldwin, CFO, joins NUBURU with nearly 30 years of financial management experience across the photonic, telecom and medical device industries. He most recently served as the CFO at Axsun Industries, a leading developer and supplier of MEMS-based photonic engines for medical imaging and industrial spectroscopy, and helped manage the company's sale to Excelitas Technologies in 2019.

"Guy Gilliland and Chris Baldwin bring a combined 50 years of global technology experience and have each served as senior leaders in high profile companies within each of their core industries," said Mark Zediker, Ph.D., founder and Board Chairman of NUBURU. "Their appointments will set NUBURU up for continued growth and innovation as we look to increase adoption of our technology across key markets."

For more information about NUBURU and the new executives, please visit www.nuburu.net.

About NUBURU

Founded in 2015, NUBURU® is leading the transformation to a world of high-speed, high quality metal machining and processing. NUBURU's ground-breaking blue laser technology has defined a new class of high-power, high-brightness blue lasers, starting with the standard AOTM laser and the extreme-brightness AITM laser, which each enable radical gains in speed and quality for metal processing. For more information, visit the company's website at www.nuburu.net.

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