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### Frank Kohler joins Bareos GmbH & Co. KG

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**Bareos GmbH & Co. KG has a new Vice President Business Development. Frank Kohler joins the team of the Cologne-based company.**

**Cologne, September 19, 2018.** The company Bareos GmbH & Co. KG, based in Cologne, which develops the backup solution of the same name Bareos (**B**ackup **A**rchiving **R**ecovery **O**pen **S**ourced), has a new Vice President Business Development. Frank Kohler, who lives in Cologne, has been looking after Bareos partners and customers since May 1, 2019.

"We are pleased that we were able to win Frank Kohler for this job", says Maik Aussendorf, one of Bareos' managing directors. Companies worldwide from almost all industries are using Bareos, including many SMEs, and also companies listed in the DAX or Fortune 500, as well as authorities and governments. Maik Aussendorf continues: "With Frank's support, we are expanding our international partnerships in order to offer excellent support to our growing and demanding customer base."

Frank Kohler looks back at 20 years of Linux experience. In 1999, he was part of the RZNet team, an IBM Premier Partner, and helped make Linux popular on mainframe systems. At RZNet he was head of the VMware department until 2007, developing training and HA and B/DR solutions (High Availability, Backup/Disaster Recovery). He then worked as Project Manager of Virtualization & Microsoft Collaboration at SUSE Linux/Novell Inc. in Nuremberg, Germany, and Provo, USA. Most recently, he has worked at Citrix Systems GmbH as Manager of System Engineering, DataCenter & Cloud CE and was responsible for the technical pre-sales activities of the Xen product line.

"Now I've come full-circle", Frank Kohler is pleased. "After all, I started using Linux 20 years ago. After mainframe and virtualization, it's now time for another Linux-based Open Source solution. I'm part of the community and I'm really looking forward to strengthening and expanding Bareos' partnerships."

#### **About Bareos**

Bareos (**B**ackup **A**rchiving **R**ecovery **O**pen **S**ourced) is a cross-network open source backup solution which preserves, archives, and recovers data from all major operating systems. The Bareos project started in 2010 and is being developed under the AGPLv3 license. The company Bareos GmbH & Co. KG and their partners offer professional subscription and support services, so that customers can rely on a maintained backup environment.