

# **HOYA Corporation acquires the remaining stake of WASSENBURG Medical B.V.**

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**HOYA Corporation (HOYA) today acquired the remaining 49% of the shares of WASSENBURG Medical B.V (WASSENBURG), becoming the sole shareholder of the Dutch-based medical reprocessing company. WASSENBURG Medical is a global manufacturer of a complete range of systems, consumables and services covering all aspects of the endoscope reprocessing cycle. Completing this transaction will provide for further innovation in reprocessing of endoscopes solutions by combining the engineering power of WASSENBURG Medical and the flexible endoscopy division PENTAX Medical.**

“The strategic alliance formed between HOYA and WASSENBURG has provided for a strong platform of growth since 2013. WASSENBURG has more than doubled its turnover and opened additional direct affiliates in Europe and most recently in the United States, providing a platform for strong further growth. We are also delighted that Arno and Ronald Wassenburg, the Presidents of WASSENBURG, have agreed to continue leading WASSENBURG Medical in close cooperation with the PENTAX Medical team and other HOYA MedTech & Life Science divisions.” said Eiichiro IKEDA CEO of HOYA Corporation.

“Being a member of HOYA has driven us to accelerate innovation and expansion into new markets across the globe.” said Arno Wassenburg and Ronald Wassenburg commented “Having continued access to all the MedTech & Life Science divisions and related technology, while enjoying cooperation among these divisions, will provide for the foundation of designing the next platform in flexible endoscopy reprocessing solutions.”

“We are excited about the acquisition, allowing us to work even closer with our partners in the WASSENBURG team.” said Rainer Burkard, President of PENTAX Medical. “Combining innovations like the recently launched AquaTYPHOON™, a device providing for automated brushless endoscope channels pre-cleaning, with the smart, safe and high-end-quality washer-disinfectors of WASSENBURG will provide for unmatched reprocessing solutions in endoscopy.”

## **About WASSENBURG Medical**

Wassenburg Medical B.V., originally a family company, was established in 1984 by Gerrit Wassenburg and has developed into a highly regarded specialist in all aspects of automated endoscope reprocessing.

The Vision of Wassenburg Medical is to provide for every patient a safe endoscope, while the ultimate goal is infection-free patient treatment and a safe, user friendly, efficient, and innovative endoscope reprocessing process at every hospital or clinic.

At Wassenburg, we are passionate about designing and delivering safe and innovative products and services. We want to raise the bar and the standards within the international endoscope reprocessing industry. For more information: <http://www.wassenburgmedical.com>

## **About PENTAX Medical**

PENTAX Medical is a division of HOYA Group. The company's mission is to improve the standard of patient care and quality of healthcare delivery by providing the best endoscopic products and services with a focus on QUALITY, CLINICALLY RELEVANT INNOVATION, and SIMPLICITY.

PENTAX Medical strives to align with the healthcare community's Triple Aim goals through transparent partnerships with its customers and by providing the highest quality solutions to help them reach their goals, including enabling customers to improve patient outcomes by offering evidence-based solutions across the continuum of care; ensuring value by supporting the customers to improve their efficiency and minimize their healthcare costs; and enriching patient and provider's experience by empowering every member of the care team to achieve optimal outcomes through products, education, and support.

Focused on the outcome instead of technological features, PENTAX Medical listens to the healthcare community and their patients, understands their daily obstacles and helps improve endoscopy with smart innovations. For more information: <http://www.pentaxmedical.com>

## **About HOYA**

Founded in 1941 in Tokyo, Japan, HOYA Corporation is a global technology and med-tech company and a leading supplier of innovative high-tech and medical products. HOYA is active in the fields of lifecare and information technology, providing eyeglasses, medical endoscopes, intraocular lenses, optical lenses, as well as key components for semiconductor devices, LCD panels, and hard disk drives. With over 150 offices and subsidiaries worldwide, HOYA currently employs a multinational workforce of 36,000 people. For more information, please visit: <http://www.hoya.com>.