

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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**Cyber security expert InfoGuard on track for success**

### **InfoGuard to build a 250 square-metre Cyber Defence Center as it looks back on a record year**

**InfoGuard, the Swiss cyber security specialist, has enjoyed another year of successful growth. As well as opening a new branch in Bern and expanding its team of security specialists to 80, the company has once again achieved a remarkable growth in sales over the last business year. To facilitate its continued growth, the company is expanding its offices at its Baar HQ and in May 2017 will be adding 250 square metres of space, including a new Cyber Defence Center.**

“Over the last three years, InfoGuard has increased its customer base considerably, resulting in a remarkable growth in sales. Happily, we also managed to grow all areas of the business last year, from security consulting, security audits and penetration testing, to the implementation of comprehensive cyber security and network solutions. We recorded our best growth, however, in the field of security operation services, which are supplied from our ISO/IEC 27001-certified security operations center (SOC) in Baar” explains Thomas Meier, CEO at InfoGuard. This has also had a positive effect on employee numbers, as 20 new jobs were created last year. InfoGuard employs 80 security specialists at its Baar and Bern locations. Revenues once again rose compared with the previous year to approximately CHF 25 million.

#### **Newly built 250 square-metre SOC**

More and more clients are reliant on specialist services for the monitoring, defence and operations of their infrastructure. “Cyber security is in flux. Nowadays it’s vital that infiltrations are detected, a quick response is mounted, and security arrangements are optimised accordingly. Such an approach requires the services of a security operations center that’s staffed by highly skilled security experts. For several years now, we’ve been successfully operating our own ISO 27001-certified cyber defence center in Baar. SOC services are of strategic importance for InfoGuard. That’s why we are building a new SOC at our Baar location and also increasing the size of our team still further,” explains Ernesto Hartmann, Chief Security Operations Officer at InfoGuard.

With the new build, InfoGuard is reaching another milestone in its strategy. The new 250 square-metre space will soon be the site of one of Switzerland’s most modern security operations centers and, from May, the base for a team of security experts and analysts. With its SOC, InfoGuard is focusing exclusively on cyber defence and offering its customers a comprehensive range of services. These range from security information and event management (SIEM), vulnerability management and breach detection, to cyber threat intelligence, incident response and forensic analysis. The services are based on leading detection technologies from the fields of artificial intelligence and machine learning. Furthermore, InfoGuard’s SOC architecture offers a sophisticated automation framework that enables services to be delivered efficiently and processes to be largely automated.

The new Cyber Defence Center uses a multi-layer physical security model to ensure that security systems are monitored on a 24/7 basis, 365 days a year. The key technical components of the SOC are designed with multiple redundancy so as to guarantee maximum availability. At the same time, InfoGuard complies with the strict data protection policies that apply in Switzerland and the many regulations governing the country’s financial sector. The company also ensures that customer data is stored exclusively within Switzerland at the client’s premises or, if requested, in InfoGuard’s own data center.

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**About InfoGuard**

InfoGuard AG specialises in comprehensive cyber security services. Its areas of expertise include customised services in the field of security consulting and security audits as well as in the architecture and integration of leading network and security solutions. State-of-the-art cloud, managed and SOC-type services are provided by the Swiss experts in cyber security from the company's ISO 27001-certified InfoGuard Cyber Defence Center in Switzerland. InfoGuard has its headquarters in Baar/Zug, close to Zurich, and a further branch in Bern.



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