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*Dear business partners, Dear readers,*

*We are pleased to hand you this special issue of our „twogether“ magazine „Board & Packaging“. This is to give you an opportunity to review together with us the rapid development over the past few years in the field of paper machines for board and packaging papers.*

*We begin this special issue with a guest contribution by a recognized expert who reports on the developments and trends in the field of board and packaging. This is followed by selected and technologically significant projects and rebuilds. And, it goes without saying, we have also taken our innovative product developments into account in separate articles.*

*From 800 to 1,500 m/min – taking one of our major projects as an example we invite you to travel through time in the production of linerboard.*

*It is particularly in the European and Asian markets that there has been a real boom in packaging papers. This is a market segment in which Voith Paper has assumed and proven its role as a leader in technology for many orders.*

*These successes are due to the consistent implementation of the „One-Platform Concept“ – both in new machines and in rebuilds, and the integration of Voith Fabrics as a new Division within Voith Paper and the strategic alignment in the field of automation.*

*Successful commissioning, fast start-ups, high performance and the promised „engineered reliability“ again underscore the transition from machine builder to process supplier.*

*We wish to continue playing this role together with you in the future and to be a reliable partner for you.*

*I hope you enjoy reading this special issue.*

*Best regards*

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*On behalf of the entire Voith Paper Board & Packaging Team*