

Ball Aerospace's Oschmann Selected for SPIE Presidential Track

BOULDER, Colo., Sept. 7, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- SPIE, the international society for optics and photonics, has named Jim Oschmann, Ball Aerospace's vice president and general manager, Civil Space, as the 2017 SPIE vice president. This is a position which will transition to president-elect in 2018 and SPIE president in 2019. Oschmann was chosen by a nominating committee and elected by SPIE's nearly 12,000 voting members.

"This recognition by one of the premier associations in our industry is testament to Jim's expertise and dedication to the entire field of optical engineering," said Rob Strain, president, Ball Aerospace. "Jim has given back throughout his career, to several universities and industry nonprofits in addition to serving SPIE in several capacities. We congratulate Jim on this well-deserved honor."

"All my experiences give me a unique perspective on ways that industry, academia, governments and non-profits can work together with SPIE to propel the positive impacts of our industry into the future," said Oschmann. "As we look toward that bright future, we need to find ways to encourage students of all ages to participate in the fields of science and engineering to supply our future workforce needs and bring new ideas and innovation that will drive our field forward."

Oschmann has been at Ball since 2004, as Chief Engineer, Program Operations; Director, Program Execution, Advanced Technologies & Products; and Vice President & General Manager, Tactical Solutions prior to his current position leading Ball's Civil Space efforts.

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