



Press release Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S

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It is a satisfied board and management in Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S which can announce that Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S retroactively till March 1st 2017, have taken over all the activities in Scanax International A/S. The two companies have throughout the last months looked at the possibilities. It has led to the purchase of all activities in Scanax. The activities will be carried on in a new daughter company of Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S but with the existing name Scanax International A/S and with the same staff. Erik Thorsen will though step in as director.

It is exclusively the operating activities after March 1st 2017 Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S takes over. The operating activities before March 1st 2017 will be phased out in the existing company with a new name.

“The purchase of the activities fits into our targeted strategy about continuous growth” says an excited CEO for Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S Erik Thorsen. “After we have increased the selling of crisping potatoes throughout several years, it is our wish to spread our activities into other product segments”.

Scanax International A/S has an yearly turnover on approx. 10.000 ton of potatoes, split 50/50 between table and seed potatoes. Scanax International A/S represents a number of Solana varieties in the Nordic countries.

Moreover Erik Thorsen explains that the purchase of the activities in Scanax opens a lot of opportunities for Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S in the future, among other the possibility establishing a separate organic department in the almost 7000 m² of buildings. Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S has had an big increase in the selling of organic potatoes and root vegetables to the crisping industry in the latest years. At the same time there is an increasing interest on organic products from other industries.

Erik Thorsen concludes by saying. “The coming time will show how we exploit our opportunities best”.

Attached press photoes:

- CEO Erik Thorsen, Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S
- Chairman of the board Kurt Friis Jørgensen, Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S

Eventual questions can be answered by CEO Erik Thorsen, phone: +45 40452257

Facts about Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S and Scanax International A/S.

Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S was established as wholesaler of crisping potatoes in 1986 by Erik Thorsen. Erik Thorsen is still the leader of the company. The company today is a limited company, which among other is owned by a larger number of potato growers. Currently Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S has a storage capacity on 23.000 ton of potatoes. Throughout the years the company has gained a unique knowledge about storing of potatoes under conditions which maintains the good quality. This makes it possible to deliver a quality product a year around.

In the production the potatoes are washed and quality graded. The company today has 10 employees and a yearly turnover above 90.000 ton of potatoes. The majority are for export, the company has customers all over Europe.

Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S owns 100% the daughter company Thorsens Chipskartofler GmbH close to Hannover. Thorsens Chipskartofler GmbH was founded in 2013. Thorsens Chipskartofler GmbH handles the quality control on German produced crisping potatoes for Thorsens Chipskartofler A/S.

Scanax was founded in 1984 as part of a trading alliance in potatoes for Scandinavia. Scanax was at that time based in Horslunde on the island of Lolland in Denmark.

Scanax International A / S moved in February 2004 in new premises in Gadbjerg.