



## **Axilum Robotics announces the nomination of Arnaud Butzbach to its Board of Directors**

October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013, Strasbourg (France) – Medical robotics specialist Axilum Robotics announces that Arnaud Butzbach has been appointed as independent member of its Board of Directors. This decision was made at the shareholders meeting on October 10<sup>th</sup>.

*“Arnaud will bring us his strategic expertise, vision and experience of the medical device industry”* comments Michel Berg, President and CEO of Axilum Robotics.

*“Supporting an innovative and promising company such as Axilum Robotics in its development is an exciting opportunity”* adds Arnaud Butzbach. *“I wish to contribute to the success of this great team thanks to an industrial perspective and vision related to my own entrepreneurial experience in a similar area.”*

**Arnaud Butzbach** is co-Founder, Vice-President Operations and Chief Technology Officer at MEDIAN Technologies, a public company since 2011 (AMLDT), providing medical imaging software and services for detection, diagnosis and monitoring of cancers. From 15 years' experience in the medical imaging industry, surgical robotics (HealthCenter / Focus imaging, Focus Medical, Deemed...) and in the automotive industry (Siemens VDO Automotive), Arnaud contributed to all phases of MEDIAN's development and brings his experience, expertise and skills in medical imaging, software engineering, technology transfer and strategic partnerships to innovative projects aiming at improving standards of care around the world. Arnaud Butzbach is graduated from National Polytechnic Institute of Grenoble (INPG) and Computer sciences and applied mathematics (ENSIMAG).

### **About Axilum Robotics**

Axilum Robotics is a spin-off from the ICube<sup>1</sup> Medical Robotics team and has been founded in 2011 by three research professors, Michel de Mathelin, Bernard Bayle and Pierre Renaud, alongside two engineers with PhD in robotics, Benjamin Maurin and Romuald Ginhoux, and Michel Berg, a medical doctor with a degree from HEC business school. Based on an ICube proof of concept, the company has developed and commercializes the first robot worldwide designed specifically to assist physicians and researchers for Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS).

In a fast-growing market, Axilum Robotics' ambition is to become the global leader in robots for TMS.

Two initial TMS centres, Prof. Haffen's Department of Psychiatry at the Besançon University Hospital, France, and Dr. David's team at the Institute of Neurosciences in Grenoble, France, have recently been equipped with Axilum Robotics' robot.

Axilum Robotics is leading a consortium including ICube Laboratory and Streb & Weil Company. TMS-Robot project has been certified by Alsace Biovalley life science cluster and has been funded by French Interministerial Unique Fund (FUI), Oséo, Alsace Region, Urban Community of Strasbourg (CuS) and the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF). End of 2012, Inserm Transfert Initiative, together with scientist and entrepreneur Jacques Lewiner and SODIV Alsace, have jointly invested in Axilum Robotics project.

Axilum Robotics is ISO 13485 certified for its Quality Management System since 2013 and benefits from an exclusive patent license agreement (US 8,303,478)

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<sup>1</sup> ICube: Laboratoire des Sciences de l'Ingénieur, de l'Informatique et de l'Imagerie (Laboratory for engineering, computer science and imaging), headed by Michel de Mathelin.