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## **Genticel CFO, Martin Koch, Appointed CEO to Replace Benedikt Timmerman during Temporary Medical Leave of Absence.**

Genticel (Euronext Paris & Brussels: FR00011790542 – GTCL), a clinical-stage biotechnology company and developer of innovative immunotherapies to prevent cancers caused by the human papillomavirus (HPV), today announces that, upon the proposal of Benedikt Timmerman, Genticel's Supervisory Board has appointed Martin Koch, CFO, as the Company's CEO for the next 3 months while Mr. Timmerman recovers from several accidental lower limb fractures.

Mr. Timmerman remains on Genticel's Executive Management Board and will provide strategic counsel to the team during this period before resuming his position this fall.

Thierry Hercend, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, said: "We wish Benedikt a prompt recovery. In the interim, we are fortunate to be able to rely on Martin's extensive management experience to lead the Company. We are confident that Genticel will continue to drive forward and execute on its development plan."

Martin Koch, M.Sc. Eng., MBA, 53, joined Genticel as CFO in September 2007 with over 20 years of financial and operational experience in the life sciences industry. He is a member of the Executive Management Board. Working closely with Mr. Timmerman for the past 8 years, Mr. Koch oversees all financial and administrative operations of the Company.

### **About Genticel**

#### ***Aiming to solve a public health issue.***

*Among the 300 million women around the world currently infected with HPV, 500,000 new cases of cervical cancer are identified each year and 275,000 women succumb to the disease. 70% of cervical cancer cases are caused by 2 HPV types and Genticel aims to eliminate them at an early stage with GTL001 (known in Europe as ProCervix), its first-in-class immunotherapeutic vaccine candidate. The company has already completed patient recruitment for the phase 2 clinical trial of GTL001 in Europe.*

#### ***Offering a promising technological platform.***

*Genticel's versatile platform, Vaxiclase, is ideally suited for the development of immunotherapies against multiple infectious or cancerous diseases. Genticel's second candidate, GTL002, is a multivalent HPV therapeutic vaccine designed with Vaxiclase. It targets the six most relevant HPV types in terms of global epidemiology and is currently in preclinical development.*

#### ***Focusing on value creation.***

*Respectively, the peak sales potentials of GTL001 and GTL002 are estimated at over €1 billion and €2 billion per year. In addition to this attractive HPV product pipeline, Genticel's versatile technological platform, Vaxiclase, has already generated significant interest in the pharmaceutical industry, as illustrated by the partnership agreement signed in 2015 with the Serum Institute of India Ltd. (SIIIL), the world's largest producer of vaccine doses. This partnership is expected to generate \$57 million in revenues for Genticel, before royalties on sales. It will enable SIIIL to develop acellular multivalent combination vaccines against a variety of infectious diseases, including whooping cough.*

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