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Ivoclar Vivadent announces leadership transition

Diego Gabathuler will become the new CEO of Ivoclar Vivadent AG. He will succeed Robert Ganley who has led the company since 2003. Mr Ganley will continue as a member of the Supervisory Board.

Ivoclar Vivadent has announced a change in the company's top leadership: Diego Gabathuler, Head of Sales EMEA & Latin America, has been appointed as CEO of the Ivoclar Vivadent Group, effective 1 July 2019. The marketing and sales expert from Switzerland has worked in various capacities for the dental company headquartered in Schaan, Liechtenstein. Before joining Ivoclar Vivadent, Mr Gabathuler held a number of leadership and management roles with Logitech, Activision and Electronic Arts in Europe and the US.

Robert Ganley and Christina Zeller new members of the Board

Over his 15-year tenure as CEO, Robert Ganley, an American citizen, has significantly contributed to developing the family-owned company into one of the leading players in the dental industry. In June 2018, Mr Ganley was appointed as a member of Ivoclar Vivadent's Supervisory Board and will continue in that position when he steps down as CEO.

Mrs Christina Zeller also joined the Supervisory Board last June. The primary focus of Mrs Zeller will be to represent the interests of the Zeller family on the Board and continue leading Ivoclar Vivadent's Corporate Social Responsibility efforts.

Christoph Zeller hands over chairmanship to Helmut Schuster

After 13 years as CEO and 29 years in the position of Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Christoph Zeller has decided to step down as Chairman of the Supervisory Board. Mr Zeller will continue to serve on the board and will monitor the strategic direction of the company. "We have many talented and dynamic employees in our company, and we are empowering them to provide a fresh view and continue the success story of Ivoclar Vivadent," says Christoph Zeller.

Mr Zeller will be succeeded by Helmut Schuster, an Austrian-British businessman who has been a member of Ivoclar Vivadent's Supervisory Board since January 2015. Mr Schuster is an economist by training and brings a wealth of international experience from his career as a global executive in the energy industry and his current and previous engagements in other business ventures.

Ivoclar Vivadent has wholly-owned subsidiaries, marketing and sales offices, as well as 36 training centres, in 25 countries across the world. The company markets its innovative systems solutions for dental and laboratory professionals in 120 countries. It employs around 3,600 people worldwide, 900 of them work at the company headquarters in Schaan.

Captions:

(Gabathuler_ & Ganley.jpg)

Fig. 1: Diego Gabathuler (left) will be the new CEO of Ivoclar Vivadent AG. His predecessor Robert Ganley changes to the Supervisory Board of the dental company.

(Schuster.jpg)

Fig. 2: Helmut Schuster will take over as Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Ivoclar Vivadent in June 2019.

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