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Beat Sigrist – New Chief Human Resources Officer Franke Group

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Franke Group has appointed Beat Sigrist as the new Chief Human Resources Officer. Beat Sigrist (43) will begin his new position on March 3, 2014, and will be a member of the Franke Management Board.

Since 2004, he has been Head of Corporate Human Resources at Sulzer, and was also a member of the Extended Executive Committee. At Sulzer, he worked successfully in establishing a strategic Corporate HR function in a decentralized global environment as well as ensuring efficient business-oriented HR structures and processes. Before his work at Sulzer, he worked in various leading HR positions at Swisscom and Bosch. He holds a Master of Arts Degree in Business Administration from the University of St. Gallen.

Alexander Zschokke, President/CEO of Franke Group: "Beat Sigrist not only possesses extensive knowledge of HR, but also has a proven track record of HR experience in the industrial sector. With these outstanding qualifications, he will be able to considerably support us in our implementation of our new corporate strategy, therefore aligning our HR segment more accordingly and raising it to the next quality level."



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