

## Press Information

Hansgrohe SE: Dirk Schilmöller will succeed Dr. Nicholas Matten

### **New Vice President Sales for Africa, the Middle East, Turkey and Eastern Europe**

*Schiltach, February 2016.* Effective July 1, 2016 Dirk Schilmöller will succeed Dr. Nicholas Matten as Vice President Sales for Africa, the Middle East, Turkey and Eastern Europe. Dr. Nicholas Matten will leave Hansgrohe SE on June 30, 2016.

Dirk Schilmöller began his career with Hansgrohe in 2010 as Area Sales Manager for the Gulf region; most recently he has been responsible for the sales activities in the Middle East as Head of Sales Middle East.

Dr. Nicholas Matten began his career with Hansgrohe in 1996 and, since early 2015, he has been Vice President Sales for Africa, Middle East, Turkey and Eastern Europe. For his future we wish Dr. Nicholas Matten all the best and much success.



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**Dirk Schilmöller, Vice President Sales for Africa, the Middle East, Turkey and Eastern Europe**

## About Hansgrohe – the original from the Black Forest

The Hansgrohe company is based in Schiltach in Germany's Black Forest. In its 115-year history, it has acquired a reputation as a leading innovator in technology, design and sustainability in the sanitation industry. The mixers, showerheads and shower systems created by Hansgrohe SE are original products that make bathrooms more functional, more comfortable and more aesthetically pleasing. These quality products can be found in such prestigious venues as the luxury ocean liner Queen Mary II, London Heathrow Airport Terminal 5, the Burj Khalifa in Dubai (the world's tallest building), the German Chancellery in Berlin, New York's Yoo luxury residences and the Masdar City Institute of Science and Technology in Abu Dhabi. The company and its products have been honoured with numerous awards, most recently the Red Dot, the Wallpaper\* Design Award 2014 in the Category "Best Shower" and the Interior Innovation Award 2014 "Best of Best". In 2014, the company's brands Axor, Hansgrohe, Pharo and Pontos generated more than EUR 874 million in sales (compared to EUR 841 million in 2013). Today the Hansgrohe Group employs more than 3,600 people worldwide, about one-third of whom work outside Germany. The company, which has a zero tolerance policy on counterfeit products and design infringements, manufactures its products in Germany, in France, the Netherlands, the USA and China.



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## Design leader in the sanitation industry

In the current ranking of the International Forum Design (iF) of the world's best enterprises in the field of design, Hansgrohe SE is in 11<sup>th</sup> position among 2,000 companies. With a score of 740 points, the Schiltach-based bathroom mixers and shower specialist even outperforms such enterprises as Daimler, Volkswagen, and adidas and leads the design hit list in the sanitation industry.

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