

Henk Derksen appointed new CFO at Haniel

Duisburg, August 31, 2023. The Haniel Supervisory Board has appointed Henk Derksen as Chief Financial Officer and member of the Management Board. Henk Derksen will join Haniel on October 1, 2023, and succeed Dr. Florian Funck, who will not extend his contract at his own request and will leave the company after more than 20 years.

Haniel's Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Maximilian Schwaiger, said: "We are very pleased to welcome Henk Derksen at Haniel, an internationally experienced financial expert with a strong leadership personality. The Supervisory Board is convinced that he will make an important contribution to Haniel's further development as a leading purpose-driven investor with his many years of experience in the management of corporate groups as well as his expertise in the areas of corporate finance and M&A. Particularly, his experience from the portfolio transformation of Belden, which he led and implemented as CFO from both a financial and strategic perspective, will be of great value to Haniel."

Henk Derksen joins Haniel from technology company VIAVI Solutions, where he has served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since March 2021. Previously, he had worked 21 years for Belden Inc., a leading US-based manufacturer of data transmission solutions with more than 30 subsidiaries in the Americas, Europe and Asia. At Belden, he held several executive positions in corporate finance, treasury, financial planning and analysis, and took on the role as Chief Financial Officer in 2012. Henk Derksen started his career at Price Waterhouse Coopers. He studied economics at Arnhem University, holds a Master's degree in accounting, business administration and tax, and is a registered controller at Tias Business School in the Netherlands.

Maximilian Schwaiger continued: "I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Florian Funck on behalf of the Supervisory Board for the trustful and successful cooperation over the past two decades. Throughout his career at Haniel, both the company and the shareholder family have always valued Florian Funck as a reliable and far-sighted financial expert and manager. His expertise and consistency have seen Haniel through various transformations over the years and laid the foundation for our continued success. I wish him all the best and much success for his new role that now follows."

To ensure a smooth handover, Florian Funck will work closely with his successor during the first few weeks of the transition.

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About Haniel

Franz Haniel & Cie. GmbH manages a portfolio of independent companies with the goal to create value for generations as Europe's leading purpose-driven investor. To this end, Haniel aligns its portfolio strictly "enkelfähig," that means: along clear sustainability and performance criteria.

The companies are managed based on a common operating system – the Haniel Operating Way (HOW) – and share a performance-oriented culture.

Currently, the Haniel portfolio comprises ten investments: BauWatch, BekaertDeslee, CWS Cleanrooms, CWS Fire Safety, CWS Hygiene, CWS Workwear, Emma – The Sleep Company, das kinderzimmer, ROVEMA and TAKKT. In addition, Haniel manages financial stakes in CECONOMY and Optimar and minority stakes in high-growth start-ups. With a focus on business services as well as cleantech solutions, we invest in market-leading established and emerging companies.

In 2022, the Haniel Group employed 21,500 people and generated sales of EUR 4.2 billion. The company is 100 percent family-owned and has been based in Duisburg since its foundation in 1756.