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Thomas Schenkirsch to become new CFO of ASH Group

Thomas Schenkirsch will become the new CFO of the ASH Group. With effect from 1 April 2017, he will take over as the CFO of the ASH Group from Reto Huser, who is leaving the ASH Group at his own request.

Reto Huser has decided to leave the ASH Group for personal reasons. “We thank Mr Huser for his great commitment and valuable contributions during his short stay with our company”, says Barend Fruithof, CEO of the ASH Group.

With Thomas Schenkirsch taking over as the new CFO of the ASH Group, we have found a successor for this key position from within our own ranks. Thomas Schenkirsch has been working for the ASH Group as Director Group Controlling for as many as nine years and successfully served as the interim CFO from June 2016 to February 2017. During his previous time at the ASH Group, he contributed to the development of the companies Aebi and Schmidt, merged to the ASH Group in 2007. At the beginning of his work, his main focus was the reorganization of the ASH Group with the introduction of reporting, systems and processes, whereas in the last years he significantly contributed to the various acquisition projects. Thomas Schenkirsch holds a degree in business administration. Before starting to work for the ASH Group, he gained extensive experience in various functions at Von Roll Management AG in Switzerland as well as at PerkinElmer in Switzerland and at various locations abroad.

“We are convinced that this experience also gives Thomas Schenkirsch the perfect qualifications to greatly contribute to achieving our objectives in his capacity as CFO”, says Barend Fruithof, CEO of the ASH Group.

The Swiss ASH Group is the globally leading provider of smart product systems and services for cleaning and clearing traffic areas as well as for mowing green spaces in challenging terrain. A support and service programme perfectly tailored to sophisticated customer needs offers the appropriate solution to virtually any challenge. Our close cooperation with municipal and private customers regularly results in well-regarded innovations that continually set new standards.

Headquartered in Burgdorf, Switzerland, Aebi is one of the world leaders in manufacturing vehicles for the safe mechanical cultivation and maintenance of extremely steep slopes and particularly demanding terrain. The product range is complemented by multipurpose and powerful transporters with an implement carrier function which allow for using a great variety of demountable and attachable equipment.

With production sites in Germany, Holland, Norway and Poland, Schmidt offers some of the most extensive product ranges worldwide in several lines of business. The complex portfolio is made up of versatile solutions for winter maintenance, summer maintenance as well as airport, vehicle and rail technology.

Meyer Products and Swenson Products have been part of the ASH Group since 2015. Headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, Meyer is one of the leading manufacturers of winter service equipment in North America. The company manufactures mainly snow ploughs and spreaders for private customers and the semi-professional segment. Headquartered in Lindenwood, Illinois, Swenson is a leading manufacturer of municipal winter service equipment in the field of snow clearance and de-icing for both private customers and municipalities. The product range comprises powerful spreaders to be mounted on trucks and commercial vehicles.

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