

Press release

Valentin Vogt is the new Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Kistler Group

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Change on the Board of Directors of the Kistler Group: on 15 March, the general meeting of the global leader in dynamic measurement technology elected Valentin Vogt as Chairman of its Board of Directors. Valentin Vogt succeeds Robert Lombardini, who did not stand for re-election after serving for more than 14 years.

Lombardini joined the Kistler Group's Board of Directors as a member in 1994, and he became its Chairman in 2005. Together with Rolf Sonderegger, CEO of the Kistler Group since 2002, Lombardini helped to mold the corporation's strategic evolution from system supplier to solution provider. "Robert Lombardini also played a key part in Kistler's global growth: 25 years ago, we had just over 400 employees, but today the total has already risen to more than 2 200," Sonderegger points out. "Without his wide-ranging entrepreneurial know-how, his clear-cut views and his integrative approach, we would not be where we are today. I offer him many thanks for his loyalty over the years."

Lombardini's successor is an experienced entrepreneurial figure: Valentin Vogt, aged 58, has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Kistler Group since 2011. He is Chairman of the Board of Directors and co-owner of Burckhardt Compression Holding AG. Vogt is also a member of the Boards of Directors of Bucher Industries and Ernst Göhner Beteiligungen AG. In addition, he has served as President of the Confederation of Swiss Employers since 2011.

On Friday, the new Chairman of the Board of Directors stated after his election: "I am proud to become Chairman of the Kistler Group, and I am very much looking forward to my new responsibilities."

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The Board of Directors of the Kistler Group (left to right): Valentin Vogt, Chairman of the Board of Directors; Rolf Sonderegger, CEO and Delegate of the Board of Directors; and Lino Guzzella and Ursula Oesterle, the two members of the Board of Directors

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About the Kistler Group

Kistler is the global market leader for dynamic pressure, force, torque and acceleration measurement technology. Cutting-edge technologies provide the basis for Kistler's modular solutions. Customers in industry and scientific research benefit from Kistler's experience as a development partner, enabling them to optimize their products and processes so as to secure sustainable competitive edge. Unique sensor technology from this owner-managed Swiss corporation helps to shape future innovations not only in automotive development and industrial automation but also in many newly emerging sectors. Drawing on our extensive application expertise, and always with an absolute commitment to quality, Kistler plays a key part in the ongoing development of the latest megatrends. The focus is on issues such as electrified drive technology, autonomous driving, emission reduction and Industry 4.0. Some 2 200 employees at more than 60 facilities across the globe are dedicated to the development of new solutions, and they offer application-specific services at the local level. Ever since it was founded in 1959, the Kistler Group has grown hand-in-hand with its customers and in 2018, it posted sales of CHF 475 million. About 8% of this figure is reinvested in research and technology – with the aim of delivering better results for every customer.