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## Verallia announces the appointment of Roch Thaller as General Manager of the Germany and Eastern Europe Division

Verallia, the European leader and the world's third-largest producer of glass packaging for beverages and food products, announces today the appointment of Roch Thaller as General Manager of the Germany and Eastern Europe Division. He succeeds Dirk Bissel, who is now pursuing his career outside the Group.

Graduated from the University of Technology of Compiègne (U.T.C.), Roch Thaller began his professional career with the Forvia Group (formerly Faurecia), where he managed several industrial and product development projects in India and Argentina. He then held various general management positions in Business Units within the Antolin and Johnson Controls Groups, where he defined and implemented global development strategies while being based in Spain and Germany.



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From 2013 to 2021, he led the growth of the Automotive and Transportation business at Expleo (formerly Assystem) before taking responsibility for the Southern Europe market and becoming the Group's COO. During this time, he demonstrated his ability to manage large-scale operations and drive continuous growth.

More recently, he dedicated the past two years to general management roles, thereby acquiring a comprehensive strategic vision and enhanced expertise in high-level management.

With 30 years of international experience in the automotive industry and engineering services, Roch Thaller becomes a member of the Executive Committee and reports directly to Patrice Lucas, CEO of the Group.

"I am delighted to welcome Roch Thaller to our leadership team. I am confident that his experience and skills will be valuable assets for the development of our Germany and Eastern Europe Division, and for strengthening our industrial expertise in producing, reusing, and recycling sustainable glass packaging. I would also like to thank Dirk Bissel for his significant contribution over the years" said Patrice Lucas, CEO of Verallia.



## About Verallia

At Verallia, our purpose is to re-imagine glass for a sustainable future. We want to redefine how glass is produced, reused and recycled, to make it the world's most sustainable packaging material. We work together with our customers, suppliers and other partners across the value chain to develop new, beneficial and sustainable solutions for all.

With almost 11,000 employees and 35 glass production facilities in 12 countries, we are the European leader and world's third-largest producer of glass packaging for beverages and food products. We offer innovative, customised and environmentally friendly solutions to over 10,000 businesses worldwide. Verallia produced more than 16 billion glass bottles and jars and recorded revenue of €3.9 billion in 2023.

Verallia's CSR strategy has been awarded the Ecovadis Platinum Medal, placing the Group in the top 1% of companies assessed by Ecovadis. Our CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction target of -46% on scopes 1 and 2 between 2019 and 2030 has been validated by SBTI (Science Based Targets Initiative). It is in line with the trajectory of limiting global warming to 1.5° C set by the Paris Agreement.

Verallia is listed on compartment A of the regulated market of Euronext Paris (Ticker: VRLA – ISIN: FR0013447729) and trades on the following indices: CAC SBT 1.5°, STOXX600, SBF 120, CAC Mid 60, CAC Mid & Small and CAC All-Tradable.

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