

News Release

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Hitachi Automotive Systems Announces Change of President

Tokyo, January 31, 2018 --- Hitachi Automotive Systems, Ltd. today announced that the change of President was determined as stated below.

1. New Appointment [Effective April 1, 2018]

President & CEO, Representative Director

Dr. Brice Koch, currently Executive Advisor to CEO, Hitachi, Ltd.



Biography of Dr. Brice Koch

(1)Date of Birth May 24, 1964

(2)Nationality Swiss

(3)Birth Place Mulhouse, France

(4)Education

August, 1993 PhD in Material Science, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH), Zurich, Switzerland

(5)Business Experience

May, 2017 Executive Advisor to CEO, Hitachi, Ltd.
January, 2014 Chief Executive Officer, OC Oerlikon Group, Switzerland
February, 2012 Executive Vice President,
Head of Power Systems Division,
Member of the Group Executive Committee of ABB Ltd.
January, 2010 Executive Vice President,
Head of Marketing and Customer Solutions,
Member of the Group Executive Committee of ABB Ltd.
January, 2007 ABB North Asia President,
Chairman and President of ABB (China) Ltd.
January, 2002 Business Area Manager for Transformers & Components
Group, ABB Senior Vice President and member of the
Power Technologies Global Division Management Team
January, 1999 ABB Business Unit Manager for Railway Systems
February, 1994 Joined ABB Group, Switzerland
(- January, 1999 various management positions in ABB)
February, 1990 Assistant Professor, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology
(ETH), Zurich, Switzerland

2. Resignation [Effective March 31, 2018]

Hideaki Seki, currently President & CEO, Representative Director

* Scheduled to be appointed Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, CEO of Building Systems Business Unit, Hitachi, Ltd., and President of Hitachi Building Systems Co., Ltd. effective April 1, 2018.

About Hitachi Automotive Systems, Ltd.

Hitachi Automotive Systems, Ltd. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hitachi, Ltd., headquartered in Tokyo, Japan. The company is engaged in the development, manufacture, sales and services of automotive components, transportation related components, industrial machines and systems, and offers a wide range of automotive systems including engine powertrain systems, electric powertrain systems, integrated vehicle control systems. For more information, please visit the company's website at <http://www.hitachi-automotive.co.jp/en/>.

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