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Mr Yoshiyuki Ogura appointed new Chairman of Hitachi Europe Ltd.

London, September 15, 2017 --- Hitachi Europe Ltd. a subsidiary of Hitachi, Ltd., today announced that Mr. Yoshiyuki Ogura has been appointed as Chairman of the Board, Hitachi Europe Ltd. Mr Ogura is currently Managing Director of Hitachi Europe GmbH (Germany), a wholly owned subsidiary of Hitachi Europe Ltd., and will also continue in this role. The new appointment will be effective 1 October, 2017.

Mr Ogura succeeds Mr Akira Shimizu who will resume his role as Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of the Government and External Relations Division of Hitachi, Ltd.

Before becoming Managing Director of Hitachi Europe GmbH, Mr Ogura was President of Hitachi High-Technologies Europe GmbH for three years from 2014, after moving to Germany from his role in Japan as General Manager of Global Business Strategy Division. Having worked for Hitachi since 1980, he has extensive experience within the business, having also worked in China. In his new role, Mr Ogura will continue to be based in Germany, and he will lead Hitachi Europe Ltd.'s Board as well as helping the Hitachi Group in Europe to develop new business through building customer relationships and promoting Government relations.

"I am honoured to become Chairman of Hitachi Europe Ltd.," said Mr. Ogura. "Having worked in Germany for many years it is clear that there are more opportunities across Europe than ever before for our Social Innovation Business. It is our aim at Hitachi to help improve the lives of society through superior technology and infrastructure and I am looking forward to working with our talented workforce, together with our customers, to solve some of Europe's biggest challenges."

About Hitachi Europe Ltd.

Hitachi Europe Ltd., a subsidiary of Hitachi, Ltd., is headquartered in Maidenhead, UK. The company is focused on its Social Innovation Business - delivering innovations that answer society's challenges. Hitachi Europe and its subsidiary companies offers a broad range of information & telecommunication systems; rail systems, power and industrial systems; industrial components & equipment; automotive systems, digital media & consumer products and others with operations and research & development Laboratories across EMEA. For more information, visit <http://www.hitachi.eu>.

About Hitachi, Ltd.

Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, delivers innovations that answer society's challenges. The company's consolidated revenues for fiscal 2016 (ended March 31, 2017) totaled 9,162.2 billion yen (\$81.8 billion). The Hitachi Group is a global leader in the Social Innovation Business, and it has approximately 304,000 employees worldwide. Through collaborative creation, Hitachi is providing solutions to customers in a broad range of sectors, including Power / Energy, Industry / Distribution / Water, Urban Development, and Finance / Government & Public / Healthcare. For more information on Hitachi, please visit the company's website at <http://www.hitachi.com>.

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