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Heidelberg Materials takes next step in sustainability: Dr Katharina Beumelburg becomes new Managing Board member for Sustainability & New Technologies

The Supervisory Board of Heidelberg Materials has appointed Dr Katharina Beumelburg as a new member of the Managing Board and Chief Sustainability & New Technologies Officer effective 1 October 2024. Katharina Beumelburg will succeed Dr Nicola Kimm who will leave the company after completing her three-year term of office on 31 August 2024.

Dr Katharina Beumelburg joins Heidelberg Materials from SLB (formerly Schlumberger), the world's largest global energy technology company, where she has been a member of the Executive Management team as Chief Strategy and Sustainability Officer since May 2021. Previously, Dr Katharina Beumelburg spent more than 16 years in global leadership roles at Siemens, Siemens Energy, and Hydrogen Europe, focusing on business strategy and excellence as well as energy systems. She has studied Industrial Engineering and Mechanical Engineering and holds a PhD in Robotics and Automation from the University of Stuttgart.

Dr Bernd Scheifele, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Heidelberg Materials, said: "With the appointment of Katharina Beumelburg to the Managing Board of Heidelberg Materials, we will place an even greater focus on the implementation of our sustainability strategy. We will expand the necessary technologies and partnerships to further drive decarbonisation. Dr Beumelburg has extensive experience in carbon capture and storage from the oil and gas industry and brings a wealth of expert knowledge in developing partnerships across sectors."

"We thank Nicola Kimm for her commitment in setting up and developing Heidelberg Materials' sustainability strategy. She has made a significant contribution to establishing our company as a recognised industry leader in sustainability. This is also reflected in the very good positioning in leading ESG ratings."

"I look forward to working with Katharina Beumelburg and the entire Managing Board team to further expand our pioneering role in decarbonisation and the circular economy," said Dr Dominik von Achten, Chairman of the Managing Board of Heidelberg Materials. "The emphasis is now on consequently further optimising the initiated projects economically and on realising them in practice."

With her strong track record in all key sustainability functions and her focus on technology, industrial partnerships, and profitable business models, Katharina Beumelburg is ideally placed to take our sustainability strategy to the next level."

"Nicola Kimm has successfully established and firmly anchored the sustainability organisation within our company over the past three years. Under her leadership, we have adopted the most ambitious CO₂ reduction targets in our industry. She has been instrumental in ensuring that Heidelberg Materials is globally recognised in the areas of decarbonisation, circular economy, biodiversity, and in focusing our portfolio on sustainable revenue. I sincerely thank Nicola Kimm for her great commitment and wish her the best of luck and success for the future."

About Heidelberg Materials

Heidelberg Materials is one of the world's largest integrated manufacturers of building materials and solutions with leading market positions in cement, aggregates, and ready-mixed concrete. We are represented in around 50 countries with around 51,000 employees at almost 3,000 locations. At the centre of our actions lies the responsibility for the environment. As the front runner on the path to carbon neutrality and circular economy in the building materials industry, we are working on sustainable building materials and solutions for the future. We enable new opportunities for our customers through digitalisation.

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