

## Media release

### **Hanspeter Balmer steps down from the CPH Board of Directors**

**Hanspeter Balmer is relinquishing his mandate on the Board of Directors of CPH Chemie + Papier Holding AG in mid-term for health reasons.**



Hanspeter Balmer is stepping down from the CPH Chemie + Papier Holding AG Board of Directors for health reasons. He formally relinquishes his mandate today (Monday 30 June). “I would like to offer my sincere thanks to all my board colleagues for the many years of excellent collaboration I have enjoyed with them,” he says. “And I wish the entire CPH Group every further success.”

“In Hanspeter Balmer our Board of Directors is losing an individual with outstanding specialist expertise in every aspect of financial accounting,” adds Peter Schaub, Chairman of the Board of CPH Chemie + Papier Holding AG. “As chairman of the Balmer-Etienne management consulting and auditing group, Hanspeter has provided invaluable input in all our own Board’s deliberations on financial and accounting issues over the past 17 years. We offer him our deepest thanks for all his work and commitment on CPH’s behalf, and we wish him all the very best, healthwise and otherwise, in all the years ahead.”

Hanspeter Balmer was first elected to the CPH Board of Directors in 1996, and currently chairs the Board’s Finance & Auditing Committee. He will be succeeded in this capacity by Max Walter on 1 July. Max Walter is Deputy Chairman of the Board, and already serves on the Finance & Auditing Committee. Further Board member Tim Talaat will replace Hanspeter Balmer on the Finance & Auditing Committee on an interim basis until the 2015 Ordinary General Meeting.

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### **About CPH**

CPH is an internationally active and diversified industrial group which is headquartered in Switzerland. The CPH Group develops, manufactures and distributes chemical products, wood-based paper and pharmaceutical packaging films. The Group and its subsidiaries maintain production facilities at five locations in Switzerland, Germany and the USA, have a total workforce of around 850 employees and generated net sales of CHF 481.3 million last year. The shares of its holding company CPH Chemie + Papier Holding AG are listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (SIX: CPHN).