



Media release

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Generational change at URMA AG Oliver Berner and Yannick Berner take over the management as Co-CEOs

URMA AG announces the change of management as of 1 July 2024. The twin brothers Oliver Berner and Yannick Berner will take over the position of Co-CEO. The previous CEO, Urs W. Berner, is retiring after 32 successful years and will continue to serve as President of the Board of Directors of URMA AG.

Urs W. Berner has significantly shaped URMA AG with his vision and commitment. In 1992, he took over the management of the company from his father Willy Berner. Under the leadership of Urs W. Berner, URMA AG has developed into an innovative and internationally recognized company. Urs W. Berner is proud that the third generation is taking over the management of the family business: "I am very pleased that we have tackled the succession plan at an early stage and have managed to inspire the next generation with the values of URMA AG. I am extremely pleased that the management of the company will remain in our family."

The succession plan was a long-term process. Jessica Berner, Oliver Berner, and Yannick Berner took over tasks and functions at URMA years ago and were active both on the Executive Board and the Board of Directors. The twin brothers Oliver Berner and Yannick Berner will now continue to run URMA AG together as Co-CEOs as of 1 July 2024. The division of responsibilities between the two managers will ensure the efficient and focused handling of tasks. With modern and innovative ideas and a clear strategic direction, they are ideally equipped to continue URMA AG's success story and lead the company into a promising future. As CFO, Jessica Berner will continue to be responsible for managing the company's financial activities and all aspects of the HR department.

Both Oliver Berner and Yannick Berner studied business administration and have already gained valuable experience in the family business in the areas of machine trade, digitalization, and marketing. As CEO, they will focus on a strong sales structure and a diverse portfolio. "We are delighted to be taking over responsibility for URMA AG and continuing our father's successful work. We are convinced that, together with our competent team, we can lead the company into the next generation and seize new opportunities for growth and innovation," say Oliver Berner and Yannick Berner.

The entire staff of URMA AG and the Board of Directors would like to thank Urs W. Berner for his outstanding commitment as an entrepreneur and are delighted that Urs W. Berner will further support the company as President of the Board of Directors.

About URMA AG

URMA AG develops and manufactures precision tool systems. The family-owned company has had its headquarters and production facility in Switzerland since 1962. URMA AG also has subsidiaries in Germany, Spain, China, and the USA and maintains OEM partnerships with Paul Horn (Germany) and Sumitomo (Japan).

The precision tools are used worldwide for precision bores and milling operations in the mechanical engineering, automotive, hydraulic, and aviation industries. With its high-precision tool systems, URMA AG increases process reliability for customers and contributes to increased efficiency. URMA AG supports manufacturing companies with standard and special tools in the development of individual solutions and innovations. Thanks to the optimal infrastructure, test procedures for prototypes, new coatings, geometries, chip formers, the influence of various coolants, and special tools for specific customer applications are carried out in the company's test center. The test center also provides training and further education for customers.

URMA AG has been successfully selling CNC machine tools from HAAS Automation in Switzerland and Liechtenstein for over 20 years. Thanks to its well-positioned service and sales organization, URMA AG has already been named the best HAAS dealer worldwide. In 2024, URMA AG added the ZORN microone to its CNC machine portfolio in the field of micro-machining, particularly for applications in the watchmaking and medical industries. By further adding the EMCO product range for high-precision and complex CNC machining, URMA AG offers a comprehensive machine portfolio for machining production.

In addition to 3D printing systems from Markforged and EOS, URMA AG also sells a broad portfolio of machines for finishing components in Switzerland and covers the entire additive manufacturing supply chain.

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