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## **Swiss Life nominates Thomas Buess for election to the Board of Directors**

**Thomas Buess, currently CFO of the Swiss Life Group, will be proposed to the shareholders for election to the Board of Directors at the next annual general meeting, in April 2019. As previously communicated, Thomas Buess will hand over his executive function in the Corporate Executive Board to Matthias Aellig, currently Group Chief Risk Officer, on 1 March 2019.**

Thomas Buess has worked in the insurance industry for over thirty years. He began his career in 1985 in the area of finance at the ELVIA Group. In 1994, he moved to the Zurich Financial Services Group, where he served as Chief Financial Officer for a variety of business units until 2004. In 2004, he assumed the role of Chief Operating Officer at Zurich Financial Services Global Life. In 2009, he was named Chief Financial Officer and Member of the Corporate Executive Board of the Swiss Life Group. In this role, Thomas Buess has made an indispensable contribution to the sustainable success of Swiss Life.

“As an entrepreneurial leader Thomas Buess will allow us to strengthen the Swiss Life Board of Directors. He has an impressive wealth of experience in the international insurance business and is perfectly familiar with the challenges of strategic, financial and actuarial management”, says Rolf Dörig, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Swiss Life Group. “The nomination of Thomas Buess is also a sign of continuity. He will optimally complement the Board of Directors with his profound knowledge.”

As announced in August 2018, Thomas Buess (born 1957) will hand over his function as Chief Financial Officer to Matthias Aellig, currently Group Chief Risk Officer, on 1 March 2019. Thomas Buess has decided to assume other board mandates in the future and to engage in social causes.

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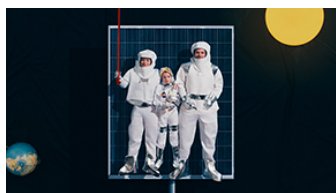
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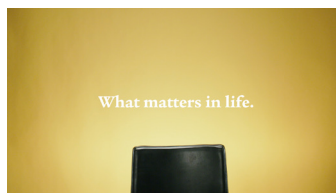
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