

Press release

Reorganization: Meraxis strengthens Emmanuel Tarret's role as COO

Muri bei Bern/Switzerland, March 4, 2024 —The global polymer distributor Meraxis has restructured its Executive Board as of March 1: the area of responsibility of Chief Operating Officer (COO) Emmanuel Tarret is being significantly expanded. Tarret, who has been a member of the Meraxis Executive Board for a year, is taking over the newly merged Standard & Performance Polymers Division and assuming charge for Global Sales. This new structure supports the company's growth ambition in technical polymers and recycling materials.

Tarret's extended role will enable even closer links between Supply Chain Management and Product Management, especially for standard polymers and their sales. When joining Meraxis in March 2023, Tarret was appointed Head of Supply Chain Management as well as Head of the then newly founded Division for Performance Polymers. Meraxis had significantly expanded this segment as a result of its previous acquisition of the French Fournier Plastics Group. Customers will benefit from bringing the Standard and Performance Polymer Divisions together, as the expertise and activities of both teams are bundled to make better use of synergies.

Dr. Stefan Girschik, CEO of Meraxis, says: «Emmanuel's expertise in specialty compounds and master batches is particularly valuable for the expansion of our technical polymers business. The new structure specifically encourages our growth in the technical polymers segment, while driving our important core standard polymers business. These steps are instrumental for offering tailor-made solutions to our customers as a leading one-stop shop in the polymer industry.»

Tarret has a background in Chemical Engineering with twenty years' international industry experience in various management positions. Before joining Meraxis, he worked at Cabot, a global leader in special chemicals and high-performance materials. Prior to that, he held various executive roles at the US oil company ExxonMobil.

Apart from Tarret, the now four-strong Meraxis Executive Board consists of Dr. Stefan Girschik (CEO), Sarah Maier (CTO), and Ulrich Litterscheid (CFO). The hitherto Deputy CEO, Philipp Endres, has decided to leave Meraxis during 2024 for personal reasons. «On behalf of the entire team, I'd like to thank Philipp for his valuable work. He helped shape Meraxis during the five years since it was founded and has made a major contribution to the successful one-stop shop we are today. We wish him all the very best for the future», says Girschik.

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About the Meraxis Group

With a turnover of over 2 billion euros, Meraxis is one of the world's leading plastics distributors. The trading company with a global sales and logistics network is headquartered in Muri near Bern (Switzerland). As a full-service provider, the Meraxis Group offers its customers targeted support in strategic procurement: the one-stop shop supplies companies from numerous industries with polymers and polymer-related products for various production processes – from the automotive industry to the construction sector and packaging companies. The Meraxis Group combines its in-depth knowledge of materials and products with its global network of partners and suppliers. The company has extensive experience in the development and processing of high-quality polymers as well as in the management of complex logistics processes.

The group's portfolio includes standard plastics (such as PE, PP, PET, or PVC), engineering plastics, masterbatches (color granules), recyclates, and biopolymers. In addition to materials, Meraxis also procures capital goods such as injection molding machines, systems, and tools for various plastics processing techniques. The one-stop shop also offers equipment for upstream and downstream production processes (including metal profiles, films, injection molded parts, and gauges). Meraxis actively supports plastics processors on their way to becoming more sustainable. For example, the company supports its customers in the selection and procurement of sustainable materials and in switching from virgin materials to recyclates. Together with partners and customers, Meraxis develops digital solutions to promote the circular economy and transparency in the value chain. For example, a CO₂ footprint tool facilitates the selection of the lowest-emission material by showing alternative material options. Meraxis sees itself as an active partner in the digital transformation of the plastics industry.

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