

Press information VDMA Large-scale Plant Engineering

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VDMA Large-scale Plant Engineering elects new Chairman of the Executive Board

- Serkan Şen, Senior Vice President Commercial & CFO, Linde Engineering elected as Chairman of VDMA Large-scale Plant Engineering for the first time
- Deputies are Dr. Hannes Storch, Vice President Metals and Chemicals Processing, Metso Outotec and Managing Director, Outotec GmbH & Co KG and Martin Oetjen, COO & Member of the Executive Board, Everllence SE

Frankfurt, 4th November 2025 - The VDMA Working Group Large-scale Plant Engineering (AGAB) has a new Executive Board. At the general meeting on November 3 in Darmstadt, Serkan Şen, Senior Vice President Commercial & CFO Linde Engineering, was elected as Chairman.

Mr. Şen succeeds Jürgen Nowicki, who held the honorary position with great dedication for nine years until his departure from Linde Engineering in May 2025.

His deputies are Dr. Hannes Storch, Vice President Metals and Chemicals Processing Metso and Managing Director Outotec GmbH & Co KG, and Martin Oetjen, COO & Member of the Executive Board Everllence SE. They will support Serkan Şen and jointly represent the interests of large-scale plant engineering vis-à-vis German and European policymakers.

In addition to Mr. Şen, Norbert Petermaier, Executive Vice President, CSO & Member of the Executive Board of Primetals Technologies Austria GmbH, was also elected to the Executive Board for the first time.

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President: Bertram Kawlath Executive Director: Thilo Brodtmann



The AGAB Executive Board for the remaining term of office until September 2026 is composed as follows:

Jörg Engelmann, CAC Engineering GmbH, Chemnitz CEO

Helmut Maschke, Air Liquide Global Management Services GmbH, Frankfurt Executive Director Strategic Account Management

Martin Oetjen, Everllence SE, Augsburg COO & Member of the Executive Board

Norbert Petermaier, Primetals Technologies Austria GmbH, Linz Executive Vice President, CSO & Member of Executive Board

Michael Rzepczyk, SMS group GmbH, Mönchengladbach COO & Member of the Management Board

Günther Schnell, Friedrich Kocks GmbH & Co KG, Hilden Managing Director Sales & Marketing

Serkan Şen, Linde GmbH, Pullach Senior Vice President Commercial & CFO Linde Engineering

Hussein Shoukry, Siemens Energy Austria GmbH, Vienna Senior Vice President Projects

Dr. Hannes Storch, Outotec GmbH & Co KG, Oberursel Vice President Metals and Chemicals Processing Metso & Managing Director Outotec GmbH & Co KG

A photo of the Chairman can be found in the attachment of this press information.

Do you have any questions? Klaus Gottwald, VDMA-Advisor Large-scale Plant Engineering will be happy to answer them: 069 6603 1264, klaus.gottwald@vdma.eu.

The VDMA represents 3600 German and European mechanical and plant engineering companies. The industry stands for innovation, export orientation and SMEs. The companies employ around 3 million people in the EU-27, more than 1.2 million of them in Germany alone. This makes mechanical and plant engineering the largest employer among the capital goods industries, both in the EU-27 and in Germany. In the European Union, it represents a turnover volume of an estimated 870 billion euros. Around 80 percent of the machinery sold in the EU comes from a manufacturing plant in the domestic market.