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Nicolas Vanden Abeele appointed as new Ascom CEO

Nicolas Vanden Abeele, an executive leader with a proven track record and over two decades of technology and industrial expertise, has been appointed by the Board of Directors of Ascom Holding AG as new CEO of the Ascom Group. Jeannine Pilloud is leaving Ascom after two successful years as CEO in order to pursue new professional challenges.

By appointing Nicolas Vanden Abeele, the company has succeeded in attracting an internationally successful leader with extensive multimarket experience and deep commercial, operational and technological expertise. Nicolas Vanden Abeele brings a valuable global track record in sales acceleration, business transformation, R&D, digital innovation and operations.

Nicolas Vanden Abeele will join Ascom on 1 February 2022. For the past four years, he served as member of the executive committee and division head of Barco (www.barco.com), a leading global technology company providing visualization solutions for medical and enterprise as well as entertainment applications. Prior to Barco, Nicolas Vanden Abeele spent six years as division head and member of the management board of Etex Group and thirteen years at Nokia/Alcatel-Lucent in various leadership positions with postings also in the Americas and Asia.

"We are delighted to introduce Nicolas as the new CEO of Ascom. His deep technological, operational, and commercial expertise in combination with his successful professional track record make him an outstanding leader for the next stage in the development and implementation of our strategy. Nicolas will continue to strengthen the great position Ascom has achieved in the communication, collaboration and workflow orchestration field, accelerating growth and delivering significant value for all our stakeholders.

The Board of Directors also expresses its sincere appreciation for the departing CEO Jeannine Pilloud for her successful services during challenging times and for her contribution to the transformation of the company.", says Dr Valentin Chapero, Chairman of the Board of Ascom Holding AG.

"Ascom has a rich history in technology and innovation and holds a global leadership position in real-time communication and collaboration for healthcare, long-term care and enterprise organizations, which all have significant potential for growth and transformation. I look forward to building further on Ascom's strong foundations and to driving value for all stakeholders", adds Nicolas Vanden Abeele, new CEO of Ascom.

Conference Call for investors and media

In the context of this media release, a conference call for investors and media will take place as follows:

26 January 2022 at 08:30 a.m. CET

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During the conference, all participants will be in listen mode. To ask a question in the Q&A Session, press *14. To retract a question press *15.

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Ascom is headquartered in Baar (Switzerland), has operating businesses in 18 countries and employs around 1,300 people worldwide. Ascom registered shares (ASCN) are listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange in Zurich.

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