

## Media Release

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### Alain Bichsel to become Head Media Relations at SIX Group

Alain Bichsel, currently Head of Communications at the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority FINMA, will assume responsibility for SIX Group's Media Relations on 1 April 2011.

Alain Bichsel was in charge of internal and external communications at the Swiss Federal Banking Commission from July 2007, before taking over the same position at FINMA since January 2009. He worked at the Swiss Bankers Association (SBA) from 2000 to 2007, stepping up to become media spokesperson and Deputy Head of Communications for Switzerland in 2003. Alain Bichsel graduated as a doctor of law from the University of Basel.

He succeeds Werner Vogt, who after more than seven years of dedicated and successful work as media spokesperson and Head of Media Relations at SIX Swiss Exchange and SIX Group, is leaving to start up his own communications company.

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