



## Media Release

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### **Christian Katz, Division CEO Swiss Exchange, to leave SIX**

Christian Katz, Division CEO Swiss Exchange, has decided to leave SIX. His decision is based on diverging views on the strategic direction and on the further development of the business area Swiss Exchange. Christian Katz has headed up the business area since May 2009. Under his leadership, Swiss Exchange has expanded to become one of Europe's leading stock exchanges, which was confirmed last year with the award of the "Exchange of the Year" title by various international bodies. Swiss Exchange has developed into the most profitable business area of SIX. The Board of Directors and the Executive Board would like to take this opportunity to thank Christian Katz for the great commitment he has shown towards the further development of the business area Swiss Exchange and wish him all the best in both his professional and personal life.

Christian Katz will leave SIX at the end of April 2015. Christoph Landis, Head Operations and Deputy Division CEO Swiss Exchange, will assume responsibility for the management of the business area on an interim basis. Christian Katz will continue serving as the President of the Federation of European Securities Exchanges (FESE) until a suitable successor is established.

Urs Rügsegger, Group CEO SIX: "In an extremely challenging environment, Christian Katz stopped Swiss Exchange from losing market share in blue-chip trading and successfully expanded SIX's leading market position. Swiss Exchange is now one of the most modern and efficient exchange platforms in the world and in an excellent position for a fast changing environment."

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orientation) and, with its workforce of more than 4,000 employees and presence in 25 countries, generated an operating income of 1.8 billion Swiss francs and a Group net profit of CHF 247.2 million in 2014.  
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