



## Media release

# Michel Gerber joins VAT Group AG as Head of Investor Relations & Corporate Communications

Haag, July 5, 2016 – VAT announces the appointment of Michel Gerber as the new Head of Investor Relations & Corporate Communications from July 1, 2016.

Michel Gerber, who reports to the Group CFO Andreas Leutenegger, joins VAT from the building materials company LafargeHolcim (previously the Holcim Group). Prior to joining Holcim, Michel Gerber was Head of Investor Relations for ABB Asea Brown Boveri. Previously he also held positions as Head of Corporate Communications and Investor Relations and as financial analyst.

Since 2006 Michel Gerber is Chairman of the Board of the Swiss Society for Investor Relations.

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## About VAT Group AG

VAT is the leading global developer, manufacturer and supplier of high-end vacuum valves. VAT vacuum valves are mission critical components for advanced manufacturing processes of innovative products used in daily life like such as portable devices, flat screen monitors or solar panels. VAT is organized into three different reporting segments: Valves, Global Services and Industry offering high-end vacuum valves, multivalve modules, edge-welded bellows and related value-added services for an array of vacuum applications. VAT Group is a global player with approximately 1,200 employees and main manufacturing sites in Haag (Switzerland), Penang (Malaysia) and Arad (Romania). Sales in financial year 2015 amounted to CHF 411 million. More information is available on [www.vatvalve.com](http://www.vatvalve.com).