

Several changes in the maxon management.

The drive specialist is reorienting itself.

maxon motor is becoming an international group. This process results in several changes at the management level. At the same time, the Swiss location in Sachseln with its 1200 employees is getting its own local management board.

maxon motor, the renowned specialist for mechatronic drive systems, prepares for the future by adapting its leadership structures. The old management board is becoming the group management board. This committee drives the global expansion of sales, development, and production centers and is in charge of the strategic orientation of the maxon group with its 2800 employees. At the same time, the Swiss headquarters in Sachseln is getting its own local management board. The board started its operations on January 1, 2019. Daniel von Wyl, who headed the maxon medical unit for many years, is taking over as the local managing director at Sachseln. The final transfer of all responsibilities will take place in 2020.

There are two personnel changes in the group leadership: On January 1, 2019, Björn Axelsson joined the team. He assumes the newly created role of Group Human Resources Officer.

COO Peter Grütter is leaving the group leadership. He has been with maxon since December 2013 and will tackle new challenges within the group. Among other responsibilities, he will handle the integration of the British electric motor manufacturer Parvalux with its around 180 employees, which was acquired by maxon at the end of 2018. In addition, he is in charge of developing the new maxon production site in Taunton (USA), which was opened in March 2019.

Eugen Elmiger remains the CEO of the maxon group. He says: "We are glad that we have been able to convince Björn Axelsson to join the maxon team. In the newly created position of Group Human Resources Officer, he will play a critical role in moving our company forward. I would also like to thank Peter Grütter for his great commitment over the last five years, and I wish him the best of success in his new role."

Members of the global maxon management:

- Eugen Elmiger – Group CEO
- Norbert Bitzi – Group CFO
- Ulrich Claessen – Group Research & Development
- Martin Zimmermann – Group Sales
- Björn Axelsson – Group Human Resources

Members of the local Swiss management board:

- Daniel von Wyl – managing director maxon motor ag, Sachseln
- Roger Lagodny – head of accounting and controlling
- Dominik Stockmann – head of development: motors & encoders
- Patrik Gnos – head of development: motion control
- Stefan Preier – head of human resources
- Jürg Schneiter – head of production

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