

Pierre-Henri Desportes appointed Chairman of Verallia France

Verallia, Europe's leading producer and the world's third largest producer of glass packaging for beverages and food products, has appointed Pierre-Henri Desportes Chairman of Verallia France. In this capacity, he becomes a member of the Executive Committee and reports directly to Patrice Lucas, the Group's CEO.

With a strong background in the industrial sector, he will head the Group's French subsidiary.

"I am delighted to welcome Pierre-Henri as Chairman of Verallia France. His industrial expertise, his commitment, his passion for our businesses and for operational excellence will enable us to pursue the ambitious roadmap that the Group has set for itself in France. I wish him every success in his new position," said Patrice Lucas, CEO of Verallia Group.



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A graduate of the Ecole Polytechnique with a master's degree from HEC-Entrepreneurs, Pierre-Henri Desportes began his career in 2003 at SAINT-GOBAIN Desjonquères, in the glass pharma and perfume bottle activity of the Mers-les-Bains plant, as perfume production manager. In 2007, he joined MICHELIN as workshop manager in Vannes, before taking over the management of the Rayong plant in Thailand. During these four years, he received several internal awards for his efforts to improve safety processes and quality of life at work. In 2014, Pierre-Henri Desportes became Project Manager and then Principal for the BOSTON CONSULTING GROUP, one of the largest consulting firms. Within this framework, he worked with several industrial sectors (oil, aeronautics, agri-food...). In 2017, he joined the PLASTIC OMNIUM group, leader in sustainable and connected mobility, first as Industrial Vice President of the Exterior business in charge of 50 plants. He then took over the management of the Central Europe area for the Exterior division as chairman and CEO before becoming chairman and CEO of the Lighting division until his arrival at Verallia France on November 2, 2022.

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About Verallia

At Verallia, our purpose is to re-imagine glass for a sustainable future. We want to redefine how glass is produced, reused and recycled, to make it the world's most sustainable packaging material. We work in common cause with our customers, suppliers and other partners across the value chain to develop new healthy and sustainable solutions for all.

With around 10,000 people and 32 glass production facilities in 11 countries, we are the leading European and the third largest producer globally of glass containers for food and beverages, providing innovative, customized and environmentally friendly solutions to more than 10,000 businesses around the world.



Verallia produced more than 16 billion bottles and jars and achieved revenues of €2.7 billion in 2021. Verallia is listed on compartment A of the Euronext Paris stock exchange (Ticker: VRLA – ISIN: FR0013447729) and belongs to the SBF 120, CAC Mid 60, CAC Mid & Small et CAC All-Tradable indexes.

In France, Verallia continues to develop its glassmaking expertise through its seven plants located in Lagnieu, Cognac, Chalon-sur-Saône, Oiry, St-Romain-Le-Puy, Vauxrot and Albi. Anchored as closely as possible to the needs of the wine and food industry, Verallia France is a leading local player, with more than 2,000 employees throughout the country.