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Changes in Beyond Gravity's Executive Board and boosting of digital expertise

Beyond Gravity announces changes in its Executive Board: Caroline Schmitt will join the company as the new Chief Transformation & Strategy Officer, boosting the company's digital expertise. Oliver Grassmann, who has held the position previously, will take over as Executive Vice President of the Satellites Division from Anders Linder who leaves Beyond Gravity to pursue a career outside the company. The changes will take effect as of 15 May 2023.


As the world's leading supplier of space products and the largest Swiss space company, Beyond Gravity develops and manufactures products for satellites, launch vehicles and the semiconductor industry with the goal of advancing humankind and enabling the exploration of the world and beyond. Beyond Gravity is currently driving its digital transformation with the aim of consolidating all key IT systems and building a digital core. The latter will enable Beyond Gravity to significantly increase its efficiency and fully exploit the opportunities offered by cutting-edge technologies such as artificial intelligence, augmented reality, virtual reality, and automation.

Caroline Schmitt joins as Chief Transformation & Strategy Officer

Further boosting the company's digital expertise, Caroline Schmitt will join Beyond Gravity as its new Chief Transformation & Strategy Officer and member of the Executive Board, effective 15 May. Caroline most recently served as Global Head of Digital at Takeda Pharmaceuticals, where she led the transformation of Shire-Takeda's integrated digital operating model. With 20 years of experience in implementing enterprise-wide digital transformation and technology acceleration across different industries and value chains, she will play a critical role in bringing additional state-of-the-art know-how to Beyond Gravity and accelerating its digital transformation. "With her dynamic and inspiring leadership style, she will also be an invaluable asset to our Executive Board. Her track record demonstrates Caroline's ability to combine her strategic vision with an unwavering focus on delivering positive results," says André Wall, CEO of Beyond Gravity.

Oliver Grassmann to become new Head of Satellites division

Oliver Grassmann, currently Chief Transformation & Strategy Officer, will take on the role of Executive Vice President for the Satellites division. With its 750 employees in five countries, the division brings together all Beyond Gravity's satellite-related activities and supplies mission-critical products for a wide range of missions for commercial and institutional customers alike. André Wall

A wide-angle photograph of the Earth's horizon from space, showing a bright blue sky and a dark, starry background. The Earth's surface is visible as a curved line with some city lights.

says: "With Oliver's extensive experience and proven track record, he is the ideal candidate to guide the division towards further growth and commercial success. In previous roles, Oliver has demonstrated his ability to successfully restructure multimillion-dollar aerospace businesses."

Anders Linder, currently Executive Vice President of the Satellites division, will leave Beyond Gravity to pursue a career outside the company. He will hand over his role as of 15 May and support the transition to his successor at least until the end of May. CEO André Wall comments: "I would like to thank Anders for his commitment and leadership in an important phase of the company and wish him all the best for his personal as well as professional future."

Executive Board as of mid-May

As of mid-May, the management team consists of André Wall (CEO), Oliver Grassmann (EVP Satellites Division), Paul Horstink (EVP Launchers Division), Oliver Kunz (EVP Lithography Division), Angelo Quabba (CFO), Caroline Schmitt (Chief Transformation & Strategy Officer), Laura-Katrin Seitz (Chief People Officer). "With these changes in our Executive Board, we further strengthen the capabilities of our leadership team and lay the foundation for the further development of our vision", concludes André Wall.

More information: <https://www.beyondgravity.com/en/news/changes-beyond-gravitys-executive-board-and-boosting-digital-expertise>

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