



Bayer AG: Dr. Marijn E. Dekkers to be new CEO of Bayer from October 1, 2010

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Werner Wenning (62), Bayer AG CEO since 2002, is to extend his contract of service by eight months to September 30, 2010, a few weeks before his 64th birthday. In its meeting on Tuesday, Bayer's Supervisory Board appointed Netherlands-born Dr. Marijn E. Dekkers (51), currently President and CEO of U.S. laboratory equipment manufacturer Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., to succeed Wenning as CEO from October 1, 2010. Dekkers will join the Bayer Management Board on January 1, 2010. In a transition phase he will also serve as CEO of Bayer HealthCare, succeeding Arthur J. Higgins (52) who has decided to leave the company during the first half of 2010 for personal reasons. Higgins was appointed Chairman of the Bayer HealthCare Executive Committee on July 1, 2004, and has been CEO of Bayer HealthCare AG since January 1, 2006.

Following the Annual Stockholders' Meeting on April 30, 2010, the present CFO Klaus Kühn will take early retirement at the age of 58. The Supervisory Board has appointed Werner Baumann (46), currently a member of both the Board of Management and Executive Committee of Bayer HealthCare, to be Kühn's successor. Baumann will also join the Bayer Management Board on January 1, 2010.

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