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Passing of Boris Winkelmann, Chairman and CEO of GeoPost/DPDgroup

Philippe Wahl, Chairman and CEO of Le Groupe La Poste, is deeply saddened to announce the passing on December 15 of Boris Winkelmann, member of Le Groupe La Poste's executive board, and Chairman and CEO of GeoPost/DPDgroup, its international parcel delivery network.

A highly regarded leader, both by his teams and by his partners, Boris Winkelmann had been CEO of GeoPost/DPDgroup since 2020. Under his leadership, the Group, which will generate revenues of nearly €15 billion this year, had accelerated its international expansion, particularly in Asia and in the Middle East. Boris Winkelmann was heavily involved in carbon-free delivery projects.

"Boris left a lasting impression on everyone he met with his positive and inspiring energy, his deep care for others, his insatiable curiosity and his contagious enthusiasm," said Philippe Wahl, Chairman and CEO of Le Groupe La Poste. "Our thoughts are with his wife, his daughters and his entire family, whom we assure of our wholehearted support in this terrible tragedy. I am joined by the members of Le Groupe La Poste's board of directors and executive board, as well as the members of GeoPost/DPDgroup's board of directors and executive committee."





Born in Hamburg in 1970, Boris Winkelmann developed strong ties to France, having spent almost all of his educational years in Toulouse. After studying at the Ecole Supérieure de Commerce in Bordeaux, he completed his education with a Master's degree in Finance at the Universidad Pontifica Cornillas in Madrid. His personal and professional background are both international and multicultural. Son of a Spanish mother and a German father, he was fluent in French, Spanish, English and German.

From 1994, he acquired a very solid experience in the parcel and express delivery market. After starting his career in management positions at TNT Express, he joined GeoPost in 1999 to coordinate the acquisition of a majority stake in DPD Germany. He was then particularly involved in the international development of the Group.

Boris Winkelmann spent the next ten years working on an entrepreneurial project. He co-founded and managed online shipping service LetMeShip, market information and research service CEP-Research, and ITA consulting, a merger and acquisition consultancy.

Boris Winkelmann joined DPD Germany in 2013 as COO and then became CEO in 2014. In 2020, he was appointed Executive Vice President of Le Groupe La Poste, member of Le Groupe La Poste's executive board, and Chairman and CEO of GeoPost/DPDgroup.

About DPDgroup

DPDgroup is the largest parcel delivery network in Europe. We combine innovative technology and local knowledge to provide a flexible and user-friendly service for both shippers and shoppers. With our industry-leading Predict service, we are setting a new standard for convenience by keeping our customers in close contact with their delivery. With 97,000 delivery experts and a network of more than 58,000 Pickup points, we deliver 7.5 million parcels each day − 1.9 billion parcels per year − through the brands DPD, Chronopost, SEUR and BRT. At DPDgroup we aim to be a reference in sustainable delivery and become a leading enabler of e-commerce acceleration. DPDgroup is the parcel delivery network of GeoPost, which posted sales of €11 billion in 2020. GeoPost is a holding company owned by Le Groupe La Poste.

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