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Javier Ormazabal elected new President of Orgalim

Orgalim's General Assembly has today elected Javier Ormazabal, President and CEO of Velatia, as its new President. Mr Ormazabal succeeds Rada Rodriguez, CEO of Signify GmbH, who has completed a successful four-year term as President.

Commenting on his appointment, Mr Ormazabal said: "Taking up the role of President is a major responsibility and a true honour. I am grateful to the Orgalim community for their trust." Mr Ormazabal starts his Presidency at a significant moment in the EU political calendar, just ahead of the Parliamentary elections next June and the appointment of a new European Commission at the end of the year. "Hundreds of thousands of companies in our industries are witnessing the eroding competitiveness of Europe's manufacturing base. It is high time that our political leaders remove unnecessary regulatory obstacles and allow our companies to generate new growth models supporting Europe's net-zero transition. I look forward to strengthening the voice of Europe's technology industries, building on the excellent work of Rada Rodriguez", he added.

Malte Lohan, Orgalim's Director General, commented, "Javier brings with him a track record that is characteristic of Europe's technology industries: a mid-sized family-owned company with deep roots in its local community, but also with extensive international presence due to its world-class industrial innovations. He is exceptionally well-placed to help Orgalim advance the dialogue and cooperation between industry and policymakers on strengthening the competitiveness of Europe's high-tech manufacturing companies."

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Orgalim represents Europe's technology industries, comprised of 770,000 innovative companies spanning the mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, electronics, ICT and metal technology branches. Together they represent the EU's largest manufacturing sector, generating annual turnover of over €2,906 billion, manufacturing one-third of all European exports and providing 11.19 million direct jobs. Orgalim is registered under the European Union Transparency Register – ID number: 20210641335-88.

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Notes for Editors:

Javier Ormazabal's biography can be found in the Orgalim media centre [here](#).

About Orgalim

Orgalim represents Europe's technology industries, comprised of 770,000 companies that innovate at the crossroads of digital and physical technology. Our industries develop and manufacture the products, systems and services that enable a prosperous and sustainable future.

Ranging from large globally active corporations to regionally anchored small and medium-sized enterprises, the companies we represent directly employ 11.19 million people across Europe and generate an annual turnover of €2,906 billion.

Orgalim is the foremost voice of Europe's technology industries at the EU level, working with policymakers to strengthen their sectors' growth and global leadership, maximise their contribution to Europe's economy and society and foster a new relationship of trust between businesses and citizens. We are shaping a future that's good.

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