

Klaus Affholderbach named skyguide's new Chief Safety Officer

Geneva, 25 October 2017. Klaus Affholderbach has been appointed as skyguide's new Chief Safety Officer and Member of the Executive Board. In his new capacity he will be responsible both for technical flight safety and for physical and information security throughout the skyguide organisation.

Klaus Affholderbach is a Doctor of Science, and has worked and researched in high-energy physics at CERN in Geneva. He joined skyguide in 2001 and has since held various positions within the company including Head of Air Traffic Management Geneva, Head of International Airports (i.e. Zurich and Geneva) and, most recently, Head of Virtual Centre, with responsibility for all upper airspace areas. In his new Chief Safety Officer capacity he succeeds Simon Maurer, who is leaving to embark on a new professional challenge.

"It has always been clear to me that Safety & Security must remain represented on our new Executive Board," says skyguide CEO Alex Bristol. "And in Klaus Affholderbach we have found a new CSO who combines experience in various areas of our operations and their safety requirements with strong theoretical and analytical skills."

[Picture Klaus Affholderbach](#)

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