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GF to welcome top international industry executive to its Board of Directors

At the Annual Shareholders' Meeting in April 2023, the Board of Directors of GF is to propose Ms. Michelle Wen for election as new board member.

Michelle Wen, an international executive of French nationality, can look back upon a highly successful career with global responsibilities at executive committee level in blue-chip companies including Vodafone, Vallourec and Stellantis. At the latter, she has held from 2017 until June 2022 the position of Chief Purchasing and Supply Chain Director, reporting to the CEO. Michelle Wen studied Economics and Accounting at the London School of Economics and holds an MBA in European & International Business from the ESCP-EAP Business School in Paris (France).

With her international background and her rich experience as a senior executive in leading multinational companies, Michelle Wen would very well complement the GF Board.

Yves Serra, Chairman of the Board of Directors of GF, comments: "With this nomination, the Board of Directors is adding a top executive with a wealth of experience in global purchasing and supply chain matters, key strategic topics whose importance has certainly been recently underlined. We look forward to presenting Ms. Wen's candidacy to our shareholders."

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Corporate Profile

GF – with its three divisions GF Piping Systems, GF Casting Solutions, and GF Machining Solutions – offers products and solutions that enable the safe transport of liquids and gases, as well as lightweight casting components and high-precision manufacturing technologies. As a sustainability and innovation leader, GF strives to achieve profitable growth while offering superior value to its customers for more than 200 years. Founded in 1802, the Corporation is headquartered in Switzerland and present in 34 countries with 139 companies, 61 of which are production facilities. GF's 15'111 employees worldwide generated sales of CHF 3'722 million in 2021.

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