

Press release

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Expansion of the consortium and management team at SwissSign Group Ltd.

Entris Banking, a financial service provider for banks, is joining the extensive SwissSign Group Ltd. consortium as a new member. As part of its ambitious growth, the IT security company is also expanding its management team. Matthias Bartholdi took up the newly created position of Chief Operating Officer (COO) on 1 April 2018 and will become a member of the Management Board. Thomas M. Kläusli was appointed to the position of Head of Marketing & Communications on 9 April 2018.

Entris Banking is the 18th member of the SwissSign Group Ltd. Joint Venture founded at the end of February 2018. The consortium consists of state-affiliated businesses, financial institutions, insurance and health insurance companies, namely SBB, Swiss Post, Swisscom, Credit Suisse, Raiffeisen, Six Group, UBS, Zürcher Kantonalbank, Axa, Baloise, Helvetia, Mobiliar, Swiss Life, Vaudoise, Zürich, CSS, SWICA and the new member Entris Banking. Entris Banking is a central and transaction bank for small and medium-sized banks and also a service provider for back office and support processes. The financial service provider sees great potential in the SwissID identity service: “Simplification of login processes while meeting the highest security standards provides the basis for many online services. We are pleased to bring forward this solution as part of the SwissSign consortium”, Dr Jürg Gutzwiller, Entris Banking CEO, explains.

Matthias Bartholdi new Chief Operating Officer and Member of the Management Board

Matthias Bartholdi took up the newly created position of COO on 1 April 2018. Matthias Bartholdi is an experienced attorney-at-law and contributes great experience as an IT legal expert. He was previously a manager of AEW Energie Ltd. where he was in charge of the legal department. Since 2008 he has also been Chairman of the Board of Directors of the software developer Comerge Ltd. In his position as COO he assures outstanding processes and top quality for the SwissSign services. Matthias Bartholdi is in charge of Compliance, Legal, Human Resources and Public Affairs and also the Chief Information Security Officer.

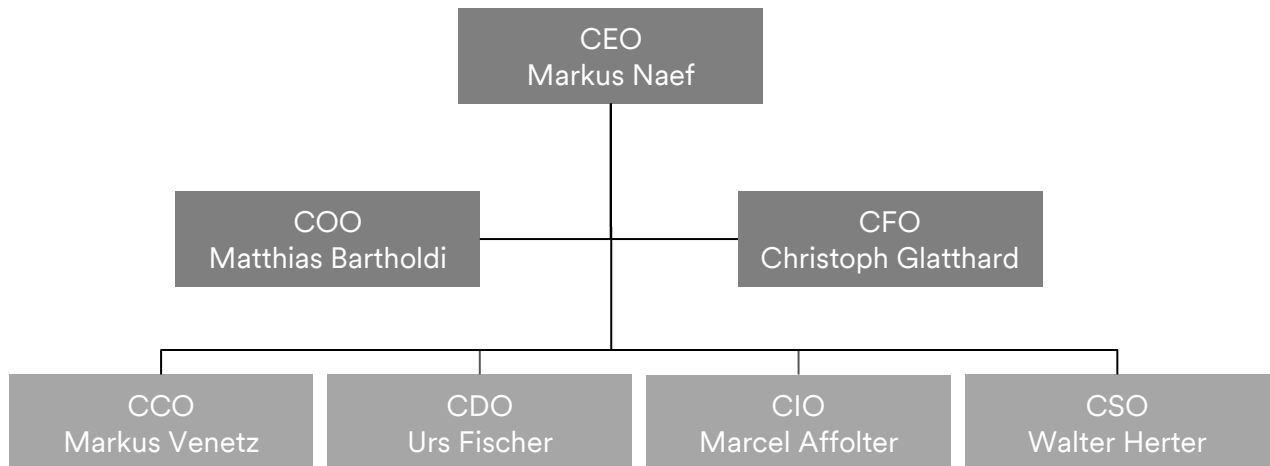
Thomas Kläusli new Head of Marketing & Communications

Thomas Kläusli became Head of Marketing & Communications on 9 April 2018. As an experienced manager he brings many years of international experience in marketing and communications in the IT, telecommunications and biotechnology sectors. For the past seven years he has been working as Chief Marketing Officer with the AVA Group. At SwissSign, Thomas Kläusli is in charge of marketing, communications and sponsoring and is also the media spokesperson.

“With Matthias Bartholdi and Thomas Kläusli we have gained two proficient and experienced executives”, Markus Naef, SwissSign Group Ltd. CEO, explains. “They are both contributing the necessary technical and professional know-how and are perfectly equipped to further develop their

particular areas of responsibility and hence the targeted strategic and operational future of the SwissSign Group Ltd.”

The new SwissSign Group Ltd. organisation chart as of 1 April 2018:



Download a photo of Matthias Bartholdi (COO) [here](#).

Download a photo of Thomas M. Kläusli (Head of Marketing & Communications) [here](#).

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About SwissSign

SwissSign Group Ltd. is a leading provider of certificate-based IT security and a joint venture of state-affiliated businesses, financial institutions, insurance and health insurance companies (SBB, Swiss Post, Swisscom, Credit Suisse, Entris Banking, Raiffeisen, Six Group, UBS, Zürcher Kantonalbank, Axa, Baloise, CSS, Helvetia, Mobiliar, SWICA, Swiss Life, Vaudoise and Zurich). As a trusted link between online services and users, its services provide the basis for secure, simple and efficient digital processes.

SwissSign Group Ltd. has two cornerstones: identity services under the brand SwissID and certificate services. SwissID is the digital identity of Switzerland which enables simple and secure access to the online world. Thanks to electronic certificates, data can be exchanged in encrypted form and therefore protected against unauthorised access. As a Swiss trust service provider (TSP), SwissSign Group Ltd. accompanies people and companies into a successful digital future, and protects data according to the highest security standards while keeping it in Switzerland. Further information is available on www.swissign.com and www.swissid.ch.