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Wiener Linien to be led by an all-female management team

Subtitle: From November 2022: An all-female management team consisting of Alexandra Reinagl, Petra Hums and Gudrun Senk – Hanke: “A new era starts for Vienna’s leading public transport provider”

Vienna (OTS) In a year from now, three women will have taken over the management of Wiener Linien and will therefore be leading one of the city’s largest employers into the future. In the form of Alexandra Reinagl, as CEO, Petra Hums and Gudrun Senk, three experienced female managers will be in charge. Alexandra Reinagl has already been a member of the company’s management team for ten years. The long-serving Wiener Linien employee Petra Hums, most recently Head of Finance and Human Resources, will be promoted to the management board on 1 January 2022. Authorised signatory of Wien Energie, Gudrun Senk, on the other hand, will be joining the management team in November 2022 when long-serving CEO Günter Steinbauer retires.

This personnel change was warmly welcomed by Peter Hanke, City Councillor for the Economy, Finance and Wiener Stadtwerke: “The signal couldn’t be clearer: When a public transport provider with 8,700 employees such as Wiener Linien is led by three women, this is nothing less than the start of a completely new era. The inhabitants of Vienna are rightly proud of their public transport system, the further development of which is now in the hands of three experienced female managers.”

Wiener Stadtwerke CEO, Martin Krajcsir: “Alexandra Reinagl has for years demonstrated that she is the right choice for her position. Ten years ago she was the first woman to ever join the management team and now she is the first female CEO, alongside two other experienced female managers from within the group. I am already looking forward to working with them.” His deputy, Peter Weinelt adds: “We have been demanding and promoting women in management positions for years. Today we can proudly claim that this policy is bearing fruit and paying off. Petra Hums has for years been inextricably linked to the success of Wiener Linien. Our top expert for renewable energy and hydrogen, Gudrun Senk, is moving on to another line of work but will still be focussing on climate protection. I wish all three of these outstanding female managers every success with their new tasks.”

Subheader: Setting the right course

“We are delighted about the timely decision on the new management team at Wiener Linien. Petra Hums is an outstanding finance expert and Wiener Linien insider with many years of leadership experience while Gudrun Senk, as the successor responsible for the construction and technology division, will broaden the company’s perspective through her external view and technical expertise from November 2022,” according to Alexandra Reinagl and Günter Steinbauer – the current management team of Wiener Linien.

CEO Günter Steinbauer will remain in his position until he retires in autumn 2022. From November 2022, Alexandra Reinagl will take over as CEO as well as assuming responsibility for operations, market affairs and customers (BMB, M1, Gu, Ga), Gudrun Senk as CTO in addition to assuming responsibility for construction and systems management (B6 and F59), and Petra Hums as CFO as well as being responsible for legal affairs, HR and IT (K3 and R2).

Subheader: Big career steps for Hums and Senk

“My heart and mind have been dedicated to Wiener Linien for nearly 20 years. Being able to make a contribution to the management team from January 2022 is a personal and professional highlight. I look forward to my new role at Wiener Linien and my 8,700 colleagues,” says Petra Hums. Gudrun Senk: “I have already got to know Wiener Linien well through collaborations related to photovoltaic systems and hydrogen. It’s an exciting and inspiring company with many important, future-oriented projects and highly motivated employees. I am delighted that I will be able to further develop the technical division in future,” says Gudrun Senk.

The management and legal expert Petra Hums (52) has been working at Wiener Linien since 1993. From 2004, she was responsible for the finance department and became an authorised signatory of the company. Since 2017 she has also been responsible for the area of human resources. Born in Lower Austria, she has two children. Gudrun Senk (45) studied commercial sciences and engineering. Her career path led her via Kearney and VA Tech to Wien Energie in 2009 where in 2011 she took on responsibility for the area of regenerative energy and became an authorised signatory. Since 2017 she has also borne overall responsibility for the power and heat production portfolio of Wien Energie. Born in the Waldviertel region of Lower Austria, she has one child.

SERVICE: Images of the three female management team members can be found at <https://terabox.wienit.at/index.php/s/bSF3MrWNZb2NE4J>

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