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Jost Capito to manage Volkswagen R GmbH and Volkswagen Zubehör GmbH in the future

→ Successor to Ulrich Riestenpatt gt. Richter, who manages Volkswagen Osnabrück GmbH

Wolfsburg – With effect from June 1, 2017, Jost Capito (58) is to be Managing Director of Volkswagen R GmbH and Volkswagen Zubehör GmbH. Volkswagen R GmbH is the competence center for design- and performance-oriented products of the Volkswagen brand. Volkswagen Zubehör GmbH develops and markets vehicle accessories throughout the world. Jost Capito succeeds Ulrich Riestenpatt gt. Richter (58), who had been managing director since 2009. Mr. Riestenpatt gt. Richter had already become the Plant Manager at Osnabrück as Speaker of the Management Board and Managing Director, Technical, of Volkswagen Osnabrück GmbH in October 2016 in parallel to his other responsibilities.



Jost Capito



Ulrich Riestenpatt gt. Richter

Capito is an engineering graduate and first worked for the Volkswagen Group in the Porsche racing department from 1989. After managing the Sauber Formula 1 racing team from 1996, Capito joined Ford in 2001. With Ford, he was responsible for motorsport activities and performance

vehicles. In 2012 Capito was appointed Director of Motorsport of the Volkswagen brand and led the Volkswagen team to first place in the FIA World Rally Championship in 2013, 2014 and 2015, before becoming CEO of McLaren Racing in 2016.

About the Volkswagen brand: "We make the future real"

The Volkswagen Passenger Cars brand is present in more than 150 markets throughout the world and produces vehicles at over 50 locations in 14 countries. In 2016, Volkswagen produced about 5.99 million vehicles including bestselling models such as the Golf, Tiguan, Jetta or Passat. Currently, 196,000 people work for Volkswagen across the globe. The brand also has 7,700 dealerships with 74,000 employees. Volkswagen is forging ahead consistently with the further development of automobile production. E-mobility, Smart mobility and the digital transformation of the brand are the key strategic topics for the future.

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