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DIRK BOLL APPOINTED PRESIDENT, CHRISTIE'S EMERI



Christie's announces Professor Dirk Boll has been appointed President, Christie's Europe, Middle East, Russia and India effective immediately and reporting to Guillaume Cerutti, Chief Executive Officer.

"Dirk combines being a true art connoisseur with long, proven, commercial experience and acumen", commented Guillaume Cerutti, Chief Executive Officer, Christie's. "As President, EMERI, Dirk will oversee our business and client activities in the region working closely with Christie's market-leading team of specialists," continued Christie's CEO.

Dirk joined Christie's in 1998 in London before moving to Germany to head the Stuttgart office. In 2004, he transferred to Zurich to become Managing Director of the region before being promoted in 2011 to Managing Director, Continental Europe, relocating to London at the time. In this role he has run all the regional offices in the region including in the Middle East, Russia and India.

Dirk was born in Kassel, and was influenced from an early age by Germany's prestigious documenta exhibitions that his home city has hosted every five years. He studied law and art management at the universities of Göttingen and Freiburg im Breisgau.

Dirk is Professor for Art Management at the University of Hamburg. He publishes regularly in various daily papers and international magazines. His book *Art for Sale – a Candid View of the Art Market* (HatjeCantz) combines his background in law with his current professional area, analysing the legal and economic basis for the art market. In 2015, he launched a publication on the development of art auctions: *Auctioneers who made Art History* (HatjeCantz).

Dirk is also a board member of the Swiss Friends of the Israel Museum, a member of the Advisory Board of University of Zürich and a board member of the Deusser Foundation, Zürich/Bad Zurzach.

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