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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **GS1 announces planned leadership succession. Miguel A. Lopera, GS1 President and CEO will step down as of 30 June 2022 and will be succeeded by Renaud de Barbuat, currently GS1 COO.**

**Brussels, 28 March 2022:** GS1, the global standards organisation, announces that after nearly 20 years of outstanding service to GS1 and industry communities, **Miguel A. Lopera** will step down as GS1 President and CEO as of 30 June 2022. He will be succeeded by **Renaud de Barbuat**, currently GS1 Chief Operating Officer, who will be appointed President and CEO as of 1 July 2022.

**Miguel A. Lopera** joined GS1 from Procter & Gamble in 2003 and under his leadership, GS1 was launched and rolled out globally, merging EAN International and UCC. During this time, new standards were created for RFID and data sharing, GDSN was established as a global service to exchange product data, and GS1 Global Healthcare was launched. Miguel also initiated the GS1 digital transformation with the GS1 Global Registries, and the Global migration to 2D initiative.

**Kathryn Wengel**, Executive Vice-President and Chief Global Supply Chain Officer of Johnson & Johnson and Chair of GS1 Management Board said: "Miguel led the two-decade evolution to a truly global thriving GS1 community, mentoring countless leaders and always ensuring the highest standards and expectations of our community. He has brought boundless energy and commitment to our mission, and on behalf of the entire Management Board I extend our deep gratitude for his lasting contribution. Miguel remains incredibly committed to GS1 and will stay as a Strategic Advisor."

**Renaud de Barbuat** joined GS1 in 2019 as Chief Operating Officer (COO). Prior to that he served as Chief Information Officer of Carrefour, GS1 Board member and GS1 Board Vice-Chair – and was a key advocate for GS1 Standards and the impact GS1 has.

**Kathryn Wengel** added: "As GS1 COO, Renaud has led the implementation of the new 3 Year Plan and the Industry & Product global programmes, conducted the modernization of the GS1 Registry Platform, and chaired the GDSN Board. Despite the global pandemic, he never wavered in strengthening our operational execution. As a digital-first leader, Renaud is well positioned to ensure GS1 is a key leader in the digital world. On behalf of the Board, we look forward to the future with Renaud at the helm building from our strong foundation while increasing GS1's impact across industries."

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