



EUROPEAN ALUMINIUM WELCOMES TRIMET CEO PHILIPP SCHLÜTER AS CHAIR

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Press release

European Aluminium, the voice of the aluminium industry in Europe, is pleased to announce that Philipp Schlüter, CEO of [TRIMET Aluminium SE](#), has been elected as the association's new Chair. Philipp succeeds Ingrid Jörg, President Aerospace and Transportation at Constellium, who served as Chair for the past two years.

Under Ingrid's leadership, European Aluminium made significant progress in advancing the industry's strategic priorities and highlighting the critical role of aluminium in the EU's green transition. Ingrid will continue to contribute to the association as a member of the Executive Committee.

Philipp assumed his new role as Chair of European Aluminium on 26 April 2023. As the CEO of TRIMET, he brings nearly 15 years of experience in the aluminium industry to his new role. He joined the family business in 2009 and has held various leadership positions in areas such as risk management, raw material procurement and energy management, as well as in retail trade and sales, before being appointed as CEO in 2018.

Philipp's priority as the new Chair of European Aluminium will be to address the severe impact of the ongoing energy crisis. The industry has already seen a 50% reduction in the EU's primary aluminium production, with the gas-dependent semi-fabrication and recycling sectors also facing significant challenges.

"I'm honoured to take on this new role as Chair of European Aluminium during this critical time for our industry," said Philipp. "The past 18 months have been nothing short of catastrophic for the aluminium industry, and urgent political action is necessary to prevent further production losses. Our industry is integral to Europe's economic and social fabric, providing jobs and sustainable aluminium for countless green technologies. We want to continue to contribute to Europe's growth and prosperity, but the truth is that we're struggling just to break even. We need to find effective solutions that will keep our plants open and allow our material to serve Europe and Europeans in the decades to come. I'm determined to work closely with our members, stakeholders, and policymakers to make that happen."

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About European Aluminium:

[European Aluminium](#), founded in 1981 and based in Brussels, is the voice of the aluminium industry in Europe. We actively engage with decision makers and the wider stakeholder community to promote the outstanding properties of aluminium, secure growth and optimise the contribution our metal can make to meeting Europe's sustainability challenges. Our 100+ members include primary aluminium producers; downstream manufacturers of extruded, rolled and cast aluminium; producers of recycled aluminium and national aluminium associations, representing more than 600 plants in 30 European countries. Aluminium products are used in a wide range of markets, including automotive, transport, high-tech engineering, building, construction and packaging. For media requests: Kelly Roegies, Senior Manager Communications, M: +32 471 80 20 98, roegies@european-aluminium.eu