Press release

Edscha with new top management

César Pontvianne de la Maza appointed as new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Edscha Group

Remscheid/Madrid, March 3, 2022 – The international automotive supplier Edscha, which has been part of the Spanish Gestamp Group since 2010, has a new top management. Effective from March 1, 2022 César Pontvianne de la Maza (Salamanca, 1983) took over as Chief Executive Officer of Edscha Group replacing previous CEO, Torsten Greiner.

Pontvianne de la Maza has moved from the management of Gestamp Group to Edscha's top management. He started out in Gestamp 2020 as Business Units Strategy Director. In this role, Pontvianne de la Maza was responsible for the strategic development of Gestamp's business units where he gained a deep understanding of Edscha Group. Pontvianne de la Maza has always been a part of an industrial environment. Before joining Gestamp, and after his formative years in University of Salamanca (Degree in Economics) and senior management program in IE Business School, he began working in the automotive family business (a company formed in 1947 by his grandfather) where he was appointed CEO in 2009.

Francisco José Riberas Mera, Executive Chairman of Gestamp, says:

"César, with the entire Edscha team, will ensure the successful implementation of the initiatives outlined by our transformation plan and thus optimally position the group for future market challenges as a world leader in the automotive market."

About Edscha

Founded in 1870, Edscha has developed into the world's largest supplier of hinge-systems. It is one of the leading European suppliers of driver controls (pedal boxes and parking brakes) and drives for fully automated opening and closing of rear lids and lift gates. Under the umbrella of Spanish automotive supplier Gestamp, Edscha services virtually every automaker with its products and know-how from 24 world locations with some 5,600 employees. In the 2021 financial year it achieved a turnover of € 924m.

About Gestamp

Gestamp is a multinational specialized in the design, development and manufacture of highly engineered metal components for the main vehicle manufacturers. It develops products with an innovative design to produce lighter and safer vehicles, which offer lower energy consumption and a lower environmental impact. Its products cover the areas of bodywork, chassis and mechanisms.

The company is present in 24 countries with more than 100 production plants, 13 R&D centers and a workforce of nearly 40,000 employees worldwide. Its turnover in 2021 was 8,093 million euros. Gestamp is listed on the Spanish stock market under the GEST ticker.

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