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Change in management at Orell Füssli Thalia AG

Zurich, November 19, 2015 – Dr Michele Bomio, CEO of Orell Füssli Thalia AG, has decided to leave the company and will relinquish his post at his own request at the end of 2015. The Board of Directors has initiated the succession process. CFO Pascal Schneebeili will head the company ad interim.

Dr Michele Bomio took the helm at Orell Füssli Thalia in October 2013, having already previously served as CEO of Thalia Bücher AG for four years.

The Board of Directors of Orell Füssli Thalia expresses its thanks to Dr Bomio for his valuable contributions and important commitment. “After some seven years with the company, Michele Bomio has expressed the wish to pursue new challenges. He has contributed significantly to the further development of Orell Füssli Thalia’s position as Switzerland’s largest book retailer. We wish him all the best for his further professional and personal future.”

Following Dr Bomio’s departure and until the succession issue has been settled, the company will be headed ad interim by CFO Pascal Schneebeili.

Orell Füssli Thalia AG is a joint venture between Orell Buchhandlungs AG and Thalia Bücher AG. Orell Füssli holds a stake of 50%.

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Orell Füssli is a diversified industrial and trading group focusing on the core businesses of banknote & security printing, industrial systems used in the individualisation of security documents and branded products, and book retailing. The book publishing business has formed the traditional basis for the company since its establishment in 1519. Orell Füssli generates sales of some 300 million Swiss francs with about 900 employees at locations in eight countries and is listed on the Swiss Stock Exchange.