



## *ODDO BHF strengthens its ambitions in Switzerland: Philippe Oddo becomes Chairman, Hannes Gallus is appointed Chief Executive Officer*

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"In order to fully integrate ourselves into the Swiss market environment and reinforce our new ambitions, we are embarking on a new phase of strengthening our presence in Switzerland.", said Philippe Oddo, Managing Partner of ODDO BHF.

Subject to approval by the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA), Philippe Oddo will take over as Chairman of the Board of Directors of ODDO BHF (Switzerland) SA with immediate effect. The Board of Directors has proposed Hannes Gallus as the new Chief Executive Officer.

*"This renewed governance strengthens our presence in Switzerland,"* said Philippe Oddo. The ODDO BHF Group has been present in Zurich since the acquisition of BHF Bank in 2016. With the acquisition in 2021 of Landolt & Cie, one of the oldest banks in French-speaking Switzerland, the Group's Swiss roots date back to 1780. In recent years, the Group has developed several partnerships with leading Swiss schools and strengthened its ties with the start-up ecosystem, notably through its Young Entrepreneurs Awards (OYEA) competition. This strategy of putting down roots has accompanied the Group's strong growth in Switzerland in recent years. Between 2016 and 2025, assets under management and the number of employees tripled. The net banking income of the Group's Swiss entity quadrupled.

In 2025, several new hires enabled the creation of a new activity in the field of equity brokerage: through its research department, the Group covers more than 60 Swiss stocks and aims to cover 90 stocks by the end of the year. 2025 also marks the start of M&A activity in Switzerland, confirming ODDO BHF's desire to strengthen its presence among Swiss entrepreneurs and promote Swiss companies to foreign investors. *"We have experienced strong organic growth so far and remain open to new acquisition opportunities,"* concludes Philippe Oddo.

In addition, the Board of Directors has appointed Hannes Gallus as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of ODDO BHF (Switzerland) SA, subject to approval by FINMA. *"Hannes has extensive experience within the Group, combining competence and loyalty. As Chief Financial Officer and Chief Risk Officer, he has contributed significantly to our development in Switzerland. A Swiss national, he has a thorough understanding of local specificities and will oversee all central functions,"* emphasizes Philippe Oddo.

Hannes Gallus adds: *"With the support of our team, I intend to pursue our bank's growth strategy in Switzerland. This strategy is based on trust, responsibility, and commitment, with the aim of continuing to create sustainable added value for our clients."*

### **Brief biography of Hannes Gallus**

Hannes Gallus has been with the ODDO BHF Group for over 16 years. After successfully completing his studies in business administration at Goethe University Frankfurt, the trained banker began his career in 2009 in strategic controlling at the former BHF-BANK in Frankfurt am Main. In 2013, he supported the Swiss subsidiary in its outsourcing project (IT and back office) and took over as head of finance and credit. Gallus has been a member of the Executive Board of ODDO BHF (Switzerland) AG since February 2019 and is responsible for the functions of Chief Financial Officer and Chief Risk Officer. Following the death of Martin Liebi, he also took on the position of interim CEO in April 2025.

### **About ODDO BHF**

ODDO BHF is an independent European financial Group active in the areas of Private Wealth Management, Asset Management, Investment Banking and Corporate Banking, Asset Servicing & Metals. With its special entrepreneurial spirit, the Group currently manages around 156 billion euros in client assets and has equity of more than 1.1 billion euros. In 2024, ODDO BHF generated net banking income of 846.4 million euros. With around 3,200 employees in France and Tunisia, Germany and Switzerland, the Group pursues a consistent European strategy with a global perspective. ODDO BHF has a unique shareholder structure that ensures its independence and enables it to develop sustainable products and services. With the aim of creating a world in which every day offers new opportunities.

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