

PRESS RELEASE

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LIXIL Corporation

François-Xavier Lienhart Appointed CEO of LIXIL Kitchen Technology

Appointment set to accelerate globalization of kitchen business

Tokyo, Japan – LIXIL Corporation (“LIXIL”), a global leader in housing and building materials, products and services, today announced the appointment of François-Xavier Lienhart as CEO of LIXIL Kitchen Technology (“LKT”). He will assume the post on August 1, succeeding Yoshiaki Fujimori, who currently serves as interim LKT CEO in addition to his role as President and CEO of LIXIL Group Corporation.

LKT is an award-winning leader in the design and manufacture of kitchen systems in Japan. Its core brand offer is ergonomic “Human Fit Technology”, while the company has also established a joint-venture with Haier in China to design, engineer, manufacture and sell a full range of kitchen products. Under Mr. Lienhart’s leadership, LKT will accelerate its globalization efforts, further expanding its business in Japan as well as Asian markets with a focus on China.

Mr. Lienhart has a wealth of global business knowledge and experience, as well as over ten years of experience in Japan. Since June 2008, he has served as Asia Pacific Deputy General, Delegate to Japan of the Saint-Gobain Group, a leading European global glass manufacturer that has been selected as one of the “100 Most Innovative Companies in the World”. At the same time, he has also served as President of Mag-Isover K.K., a leading glass wool manufacturer in Japan and subsidiary of Saint-Gobain.

LIXIL Group President and CEO Yoshiaki Fujimori said, “I am very pleased that François-Xavier, a talented businessperson, will join us in the role of LKT CEO. Although LIXIL’s kitchen business is a leader in Japan, we now plan to accelerate the growth of market share and revenues from overseas. François-Xavier’s global experience as well as familiarity with Japanese commercial practices and culture will enable him to make a significant contribution as we continue our push to make LIXIL a truly global company.”

Mr. Lienhart commented, “I am extremely happy to join LIXIL, a company whose dynamism, as well as modernization and internationalization initiatives are well recognized. Serving our customers, employees and shareholders, my three core objectives in the new role will be profitability, growth and globalization. Using my international experience in the fields of housing and building materials gained in France, the UK, Brazil and Japan, I look forward to helping the LIXIL Group, and the Kitchen Technology business in particular, to become a key point of reference in its field internationally.”

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About LIXIL Group Corporation

LIXIL Group Corporation (TSE Code: 5938) is the listed holding company containing LIXIL Corporation, LIXIL VIVA CORPORATION and LIXIL Living Solution Corporation. The Group is involved in a broad spectrum of housing-related businesses, ranging from the manufacture and sales of building materials and housing equipment to the operation of home centers and a network of homebuilding franchises, and a comprehensive real estate service. Led by President and CEO Yoshiaki Fujimori, the Group posted 1.6 trillion JPY in consolidated sales in FY March 2015.

For more information about LIXIL Group and LIXIL, please visit: <http://www.lixil-group.co.jp/e/>

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Headquartered in Tokyo, **LIXIL Corporation** is a global leader in housing and building materials, products and services business. The foundation of LIXIL's success is our constant investment in technological innovation to improve people's lives. Drawing on a heritage of over 100 years of technological innovation, LIXIL is grouped into four technology businesses, LIXIL Water Technology (brands include: LIXIL, INAX, GROHE, American Standard, and JAXSON), LIXIL Housing Technology (includes Tostem, Shinnikkei, and TOEX brands, etc.), LIXIL Building Technology (including the Permasteelisa Group) and LIXIL Kitchen Technology. LIXIL Japan Company is the fifth business of the LIXIL Corporation and operates as a customer-focused sales organization with the most comprehensive range of products and services from all four technologies to customers and business partners in Japan. LIXIL produces some of the world's most fundamental and innovative products and services, and our solutions are an integral part of some of the world's most iconic and cutting-edge living and working spaces. LIXIL brands are present in 150 countries and our businesses employ more than 70,000 people worldwide. LIXIL brings together technology, quality, design and sustainability to enhance people's lives around the world.