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Koji Sakatani Appointed CEO of Primetals Technologies

- **Koji Sakatani, currently Vice President of Plants and Infrastructure Systems at Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Group, will assume the role of CEO**
- **The appointment will be effective April 1, 2026**

Primetals Technologies today announced the appointment of Koji Sakatani as Chief Executive Officer (CEO), succeeding Yoshiharu Ikeda who will retire. Koji Sakatani brings decades of experience in the heavy industry sector, including extensive leadership roles with a focus on strategic initiatives.

A Strong Background in the Metals Industry

“Koji Sakatani has an impressive track record in senior management within the metals industry, particularly with Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Group,” said Yoshiharu Ikeda. “His proven leadership will reinforce our vision to be a pioneer and global leader in the heavy industry sector. We are pleased to welcome him as the new CEO of Primetals Technologies.”

Koji Sakatani began his career at Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Limited and has held several global positions including Head of Strategy at Primetals Technologies. Most recently, he served as Vice President, Plants and Infrastructure Systems at Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Limited.

Driving the Transformation of the Metals Industry

“I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for Yoshiharu Ikeda’s invaluable contributions to Primetals Technologies. He has served in various leadership roles over the years and will leave a lasting legacy with us,” says Koji Sakatani.

“I am excited to join the global Primetals Technologies team of more than 7,000 professionals at such a pivotal time. The company is poised to drive the transformation of the metals industry, with innovations in automation, hydrogen-based solutions, direct reduction, and the electrification of rolling mill furnaces and processing lines. In parallel, services and digitalization are strong enablers for the decarbonization of steel production.”

Advancing the Portfolio

“As we look to the future, our vision is clear. We aim to build on our foundation of success by expanding into new markets, advancing our portfolio, developing new technologies, and embracing innovation. We

will continue to invest in cutting-edge technologies and sustainable solutions, ensuring that we remain at the forefront of our industry.”

Effective April 1st, Koji Sakatani will also take on the role of global Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Primetals Technologies on an interim basis from the current CFO Andreas Weinhengst who will retire.



Koji Sakatani has been appointed to the position of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Primetals Technologies.

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