

## Dr. Thomas Bünger strengthens Executive Board of Aurubis AG

**Bünger, who holds a doctorate in metallurgy, will oversee the Operations division at Executive Board level starting in the new fiscal year**

**Hamburg, September 11, 2018** – The Supervisory Board of Aurubis AG has appointed Dr. Thomas Bünger to the company's Executive Board. Starting October 1, 2018, the 50-year-old will be responsible for the Operations division, which he currently heads as Senior Vice President. The new appointment is for three years initially.

"In light of the Aurubis strategy of processing increasingly complex raw materials and thus growing into a multi-metal supplier, the Operations division is gaining even more significance. The Supervisory Board has decided to incorporate this division directly in the Executive Board," explained Prof. Fritz Vahrenholt, Supervisory Board Chairman of Aurubis AG. "Dr. Thomas Bünger has an excellent knowledge of Aurubis thanks to his many years with the company. We are confident that he will bring the right momentum to the Operations division to achieve Aurubis' strategic goals."

Dr. Bünger studied metallurgy and material science at TU Freiberg; he earned his doctorate in non-ferrous metallurgy there in 2006. After many years in the semiconductor industry, Dr. Bünger switched to what is now Aurubis AG in 2005. Since then, he has overseen different production plants, divisions, and sites within the company. In the course of the company's organizational restructuring on October 1, 2017, he assumed group-wide responsibility for the Operations division as Senior Vice President.

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*Aurubis AG is a leading global provider of non-ferrous metals and the largest copper recycler worldwide. The company processes complex metal concentrates, scrap metals, and metal-bearing recycling materials into metals of the highest quality.*

*Its main area of expertise is the processing and optimal utilization of concentrates and secondary raw materials with complex qualities. With its range of services, Aurubis is a forerunner in the industry. The group of companies is oriented towards growth, efficiency, and sustainability: The main components of the strategy are the expansion of the leading market position as an integrated copper producer, entering new markets in industries of the future, the highly efficient and optimal recovery of additional metals and by-products from complex raw materials, and practicing a responsible attitude when dealing with people, resources, and the environment.*

*Aurubis produces more than 1 million t of copper cathodes annually, and from them a variety of copper products such as wire rod, continuous cast shapes, rolled products, and strip, as well as specialty wire and profiles made of copper and copper alloys. Precious metals, selenium, lead, nickel, and a number of other products such as sulfuric acid and iron silicate also belong to the product portfolio.*

*Aurubis has about 6,500 employees, production sites in Europe and the US, and an extensive service and distribution system in Europe, Asia, and North America.*

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*Aurubis' customers include companies in the copper semis industry, the electrical, electronics, and chemical industries, as well as suppliers of the renewable energies, construction, and automotive sectors.*

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