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## Press release

### **RAIpin AG appoints Ludwig Näf to the post of managing director**

**The Board of Directors of RAIpin AG has selected Ludwig Näf to be the company's new managing director. Ludwig Näf has extensive management experience and in-depth knowledge of the industry. He will assume his post on 1 July 2019. Until then, the company will continue to be managed on an interim basis by Dominic Felice, Head of Assets and Operations.**

Following an exhaustive selection process, the Board of Directors of RAIpin AG has selected Ludwig Näf to be the company's new managing director. Ludwig Näf (46) holds a degree in Business Administration HF and an Executive Master of Business Administration in Corporate Management. His career trajectory has seen him hold a number of managerial roles in the Swiss Federal Railways, including positions as Head of Preventive Maintenance in Passenger Traffic and Head of Operations Centre and Intervention. Most recently he was Head of Technology at public transport operator Basler Verkehrsbetriebe (BVB). Ludwig Näf benefits from a broad network of contacts in the public transport sector.

#### **Implementing a sustainable Rolling Highway strategy**

Ludwig Näf will assume his duties on 1 July 2019. In addition to managing the company's operations, the Board of Directors is entrusting Ludwig Näf in particular with implementing a sustainable Rolling Highway strategy. In the medium term, a marked increase in transport capacity from the current 100,000 or so trucks should continue to make a significant contribution to Switzerland's modal shift policy. In order to be able to use the potential of the 4-metre corridor via the Gotthard, new terminals are needed in Germany and Italy, which should also facilitate the efficient loading of long trains (740 m). Moreover, today's rolling stock is due to be replaced by new innovative rail transport wagons in the medium term.

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Ludwig Näf, new managing director of Ralpin AG

