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Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, appoints Anke Schenkel as Head of Group Controlling & Risk Management

Darmstadt, Germany, February 1, 2017 – Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, a leading science and technology company, today announced that with effect from April 1, Anke Schenkel (36) will assume the role of Head of Group Controlling & Risk Management. Schenkel will report to Marcus Kuhnert, Chief Financial Officer and member of the Executive Board of Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany.

Currently Head of Forecasting, Reporting & Governance in Controlling of the company's Healthcare business sector, Anke Schenkel will succeed Joachim Christ who will become the Group's Chief Procurement Officer effective April 1, as announced previously.

"Our people are key to our success. We are therefore committed to developing and growing our employees and executives. I am pleased we could appoint an emerging leader with a proven track record from within our company to this important role", said Kuhnert.

Prior to joining Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, in 2010, Schenkel held various roles at PricewaterhouseCoopers. She has a Master's degree in business administration awarded by the University of Mainz in Germany.



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