Dr. Wolfgang Eder

Wolfgang Eder, born in 1952, is Chairman of the Management Board of voestalpine AG. After graduating in law from the University of Salzburg and completing his court internship, in 1978 he joined the legal department of the then VOEST-ALPINE group where he built up the M&A section. Following a fundamental restructuring of the company between 1986 and 1993, he was appointed to the Management Board in 1995 after successfully coordinating the Group's IPO. He has been the Group CEO since April 1, 2004. Wolfgang Eder is responsible for Corporate Development, R&D, Corporate Human Resources, Corporate Communications, Investor Relations, Internal Auditing, Compliance, Legal, and M&A. From 1999 to 2014 he was also Head of the Steel Division, and from 2001 to 2004 Head of the new Automotive Division. His current contract as CEO runs to March 2019.

Under Eder's leadership, since then the voestalpine Group has almost tripled its annual revenue of initially around EUR 4 billion and has evolved from a traditional, mainly Austria-based steel producing company into a global technology and capital goods group. Today voestalpine AG is the market leader in many segments and regions. Since the company was listed on the stock exchange in 1995, the number of employees has grown from 15,000 to over 50,000, largely outside Austria and increasingly also outside Europe. The stock exchange listing marked the start of privatization for the former "Austrian flagship state-owned industry". voestalpine AG has been fully listed on the Vienna Stock Exchange since 2005.

Dr. Eder was President of the European Steel Association (EUROFER) for almost five years, from 2009 to May 2014. From October 2014 to October 2016 he was the first Chairman of worldsteel, the World Steel Association, to be appointed to two consecutive terms of office. He is also a member of the supervisory boards of Oberbank AG and Infineon Technologies AG.

Wolfgang Eder is married to high school teacher Dr. Gabi Eder with whom he has two adult children.

