

## Peter Brabeck-Letmathe Chief Executive Officer, Nestlé S.A.

Peter Brabeck-Letmathe was born in Villach, Austria, on 13 November 1944.

After completing his studies in Economics at the University of World Trade in Vienna, he joined Nestlé in 1968 through the Group's operating company in Austria. There, Mr. Brabeck-Letmathe started as a salesman, later becoming a specialist for new products. Helped by his linguistic skills – he is fluent in German, English, French and Spanish –, his career within the Group includes a wide variety of assignments in several countries of Europe and Latin America, as well as at Nestlé's international headquarters in Vevey, Switzerland.

Mr. Brabeck-Letmathe's international career included, in particular, a span of almost 10 years in Chile (1970-1980), first as national Sales Manager and later as Director of Marketing. In 1981, he was appointed Managing Director of Nestlé Ecuador and in 1983, President and Managing Director of Nestlé Venezuela.

In October 1987, he was transferred to Nestlé's international headquarters in Vevey. As Vice President in charge of the Culinary Products Division, he had worldwide responsibility for that business area.

On 1 January 1992, Mr. Brabeck-Letmathe was appointed Executive Vice President of Nestlé S.A. with worldwide responsibility for Strategic Business Group 2. This encompassed: Food, Buitoni, Chocolate and Confectionery, Ice Cream, Petfood, as well as Industrial Products (Aromas). At the same time, he had worldwide responsibility for Marketing, Communications and Public Affairs. In particular, during his time as Executive Vice President, he conceived and put into place the unique branding policy of Nestlé, characterized by a strict hierarchy of strategic brands on the global, regional and local level.

On 5 June 1997, at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Nestlé S.A., Mr. Peter Brabeck-Letmathe was elected Member of the Board of Directors. On the same day, the Board appointed him Chief Executive Officer of Nestlé S.A. On April 5, 2001, the Board of Directors of Nestlé S.A. elected him as Vice-Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Brabeck-Letmathe is Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of Credit Suisse Group. Furthermore, he is a member of the Boards of Directors of L'Oréal and of Roche Holding S.A. He is also Deputy Chairman of the Board of The Prince of Wales International Business Leaders Forum as well as a member of ERT (European Round Table of Industrialists), of the Bretton Woods Committee's International Council and of A.P.P.I. (International Association for the Promotion and Protection of Private Foreign Investments).