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## LafargeHolcim appoints new Group Head of **Research & Development**

LafargeHolcim announces the appointment of Heike Faulhammer (50) as Group Head of Research & Development, effective July 1, 2017.

Heike Faulhammer joins LafargeHolcim from Arkema, one of France's leading chemicals producer, where she has spent 20 years in research, production, product innovation-related functions and sustainable development. In particular, she acted as a Director at Arkema's global R&D center in Lacq, South-West France. Heike Faulhammer graduated from the University of Freiburg (Germany) and holds a PhD in Chemistry.

As Head of R&D, Heike Faulhammer will be based at the global R&D center near Lyon, France. With 200 engineers and technicians from more than 20 nationalities, the center creates innovative solutions to address the needs of the construction industry.

Most recently LafargeHolcim announced the launch of Airium™ which was developed and patented by the global R&D center in Lyon. Airium™ is a mineral insulating foam that improves energy efficiency for buildings, from floor to ceiling.

## **About LafargeHolcim**

LafargeHolcim is the leading global building materials and solutions company serving masons, builders, architects and engineers all over the world. Group operations produce cement, aggregates and ready-mix concrete which are used in building projects ranging from affordable housing and small, local projects to the biggest, most technically and architecturally challenging infrastructure projects. As urbanization increasingly impacts people and the planet, the Group provides innovative products and building solutions with a clear commitment to social and environmental sustainability. With leading positions in all regions, LafargeHolcim employs around 90,000 employees in more than 80 countries and has a portfolio that is equally balanced between developing and mature markets.

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