

Media release

## **DKSH** to expand its Group Management team

Michael Hutab, Chief Information Officer at DKSH, will join the Group Management team. With this move, DKSH underlines the importance of digitization and the significance of an integrated and centralized IT platform within the Group.

Zurich, Switzerland, December 15, 2017 – DKSH (SIX: DKSH), the leading Market Expansion Services provider with a focus on Asia, announced today that Chief Information Officer (CIO) Michael Hutab will become a member of the Group Management team as of January 1, 2018.

Michael Hutab has been the CIO of DKSH since May 2016 and is based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He is responsible for the Group-wide IT strategy and its implementation and for driving forward continuous improvement of business processes through innovative IT solutions. Michael Hutab manages DKSH's Corporate Shared Service Center, which comprises the global IT-Hub, Business Process Operations and the regional People & Organization office, with around 300 employees in total. Before joining DKSH, Michael Hutab was Chief Information Officer of Dätwyler Holding Inc. He also held several IT and general management positions at OC Oerlikon and Rio Tinto Alcan.

Stefan P. Butz, CEO, DKSH, comments: "Our integrated and centralized IT platform has provided DKSH with a key competitive advantage for many years. The appointment of Michael Hutab to the Group Management team highlights the importance that we place on digitization. Over the past two years, we have come to appreciate Michael Hutab as a highly professional and pragmatic CIO. As a member of the Group Management team, he will continue to play a decisive role in the implementation of our Group strategy."

Further information on the DKSH management team is available at <u>Executive Board</u> and <u>Group Management</u> on dksh.com.

## **About DKSH**

DKSH is the leading Market Expansion Services provider with a focus on Asia. As the term "Market Expansion Services" suggests, DKSH helps other companies and brands to grow their business in new or existing markets. Publicly listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange since 2012, DKSH is a global company headquartered in Zurich. With 780 business locations in 36 countries – 750 of them in Asia – and 30,320 specialized staff, DKSH generated net sales of CHF 10.5 billion in 2016. DKSH was founded in 1865. With strong Swiss heritage, the company has a long tradition of doing business in and with Asia and is deeply rooted in communities and businesses across Asia Pacific.

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