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Cultivating a Thriving SiC Market

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Biography

Dr. André Blum joined Audi in 2004, starting as a developer for EMC capabilities of ECUs. In 2008 he finished his PhD work in electrical engineering (power electronics). In the following years he managed several projects and small teams in different production departments. Since the beginning of 2016 Dr. Blum is a team member of the Audi Semiconductor Strategy and VW Group OneTeam and works with semiconductor companies on a daily basis. Dr. Blum was promoted to Audi Management in 2015. Based on his long history within Audi, working in the product development as well as in the production & logistics and production planning divisions, Dr. Blum is an expert in automotive electronics as well as in industry 4.0 electronics.

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Panelist

R. Bornefeld
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Biography

Ralf Bornefeld is Senior Vice President with responsibility for business line and engineering of Power Semiconductors & Modules at Bosch. He joined Bosch in November 2019. Before he held various management positions at Infineon Technologies AG: senior director technology in frontend production from 2005-2008, senior director engineering of automotive sensors until 2011 and finally vice president and general manager business line automotive sensors. Ralf started his career at Elmos Semiconductor in 1992 as a technology development engineer. Afterwards he took several management positions until end of 2004, mostly serving as vice president of R&D and eventually as vice president of business line microsystems. Ralf Bornefeld was born in Schalksmuehle, Germany, in 1964. He graduated with a degree in Electrical Engineering from Technical University of Dortmund in 1992.

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E. Sabonnadière
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Biography

Since July 2021, Mr Sabonnadiere is Senior Vice-President of the Division Automotive & Industrial of Soitec. He is also in charge of the Strategic Program SiC. From September 2017 to July 2021, Mr Sabonnadiere was CEO of CEA-Leti, one of the most innovative Labs in the industry of microelectronics and biotechnology, based in Grenoble (France). Previous two years, Mr Sabonnadiere was CEO & Chairman of the Business Group Professional of Signify, former Philips Lighting (Amsterdam). From 2014 till 2016, he served as Senior Associate of MidCap Private Equity firm named Gimv (Paris, Antwerpen, Munich, Den Haag). Previously in his career, Mr Sabonnadiere was CEO & Chairman of General Cable Europe & Africa (Barcelona). From 2005 till 2008, he was CEO of NKM Noell GmbH, the German branch of the group REEL. Mr Sabonnadiere was vice-president of the Distribution Transformers division of Alstom T&D for 5 years. He began his career in 1992 with Schneider Electric holding various positions including that of Managing Director of equipment units for 10 years. Mr Sabonnadiere has a strong innovation and technological background combined with a successful business track record over decades and some key innovations adopted into the markets. With 30+ years of executive leadership of large operations, he produced high level performances of operating margins & results and generation of cashflow. He gained a sound experience of change management in large multi-cultural organizations to adapt to new markets conditions and dynamics in European and International environments. He designed and set-up ambitious strategic plans including some merge & acquisitions. Mr Sabonnadiere believes in operational excellence, innovations in technology, talents management and enthusiasm in leadership. His sound experience in the European industry make him a highly knowledgeable and respectful Board member. Mr Sabonnadiere obtained a PhD in physics (France), and an engineering degree in Information Technology (France). He holds an MBA (France). Mr Sabonnadière is a fully qualified instructor at the ski school in Les Ménuires, and member of the Advisory board of IAC Consultant and Sparring Capital firm.

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