



Press Release

Jean-Maxime Saugrain appointed Corporate Vice President Technical

Paris, January 24, 2011 – Nexans, the worldwide leader in the cable industry, has appointed Jean-Maxime Saugrain as Corporate Vice President Technical, with effect from January 1st, 2011, replacing Patrick Barth who has retired.

During the last 10 years, as Superconductor Activity Manager, Jean-Maxime has played a key role in the successful development of superconducting cables for power grids. In 2007, he was appointed Nexans Corporate Technical Manager for Energy Infrastructure and has made a significant contribution to Smart Grid activities within the Group.

Prior to 2000, Jean-Maxime Saugrain held a number of different positions at Alcatel Cable in the field of optical fibers, both in France and in the USA. From 1997 to 2000, he was R&D Projects Manager at the Conflans Research Center. From 1994 to 1996, he was the Douvrin plant Engineering Manager. He joined Alcatel Cable USA in 1991 as Technology Transfer Manager, responsible for starting up a new facility in North Carolina. He began his career as a Research Engineer with Alcatel at the Research Department developing optical fibers for submarine applications.

Jean-Maxime Saugrain has an engineering degree in physics and chemistry from the *Ecole Supérieure de Physique et Chimie Industrielles* of Paris and a post-graduate degree in materials science.

About Nexans

With energy as the basis of its development, Nexans, the worldwide leader in the cable industry, offers an extensive range of cables and cabling systems. The Group is a global player in the infrastructure, industry, building and Local Area Network markets. Nexans addresses a series of market segments: from energy, transport and telecom networks to shipbuilding, oil and gas, nuclear power, automotives, electronics, aeronautics, material handling and automation.

Nexans is a responsible industrial company that regards sustainable development as integral to its global and operational strategy. Continuous innovation in products, solutions and services, employee development and engagement, and the introduction of safe industrial processes with limited environmental impact are among the key initiatives that place Nexans at the core of a sustainable future.

With an industrial presence in 39 countries and commercial activities worldwide, Nexans employs 22,700 people and had sales in 2009 of 5 billion euros. Nexans is listed on NYSE Euronext Paris, compartment A. For more information, please consult www.nexans.com

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