

Dr Martin Read appointed as Advisory Board member of Siemens Holdings plc

Siemens today announced the appointment of Dr Martin Read as an advisory board member of Siemens Holdings plc.

Andreas J Goss, chief executive, Siemens plc said, "I would like to welcome Dr Martin Read as an advisory member of the board of Siemens Holdings plc. Dr Read's extensive experience of electronics, complex industrial and IT systems and large-scale projects in both the private and public sectors will be a valuable addition to Siemens in the UK."

"As well as his wide-ranging, commercial, industrial and IT experience, Dr Read has a strong track record in the electronics and defence sector at GEC Marconi, and he shares my passion for innovation, science, technology and encouraging UK-based research and development. I look forward to working with Dr Read,"

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Notes to Editors:

Dr Martin Read's appointment further strengthens the Siemens Holdings plc board which also comprises: Alan Wood (Chairman), Andreas Goss, Roland Jaksch, Guenter Dombrowe, Gerard Gent, Siegfried Russwurm, Christoph Kollatz, Ralf P Thomas, Sir Ian Robinson (Advisory Member), Sir Richard Sykes (Advisory Member).

Martin Read – biography

Martin Read is a non-executive director of British Airways and a senior adviser to Candover Partners. He was chief executive of international IT services company

Logica for fourteen years, leading its transformation from a largely UK-based business of circa 3,000 people in 1993 to a major international operation of around 40,000 people in 41 countries in 2007. Martin has served as a non-executive director of Boots (1999-2006) and ASDA (1996-1999). Prior to 1993, he was supervisory managing director of the GEC-Marconi Radar and Control Systems group of companies. Martin is a member of the CBI's International Advisory Board, a director of homelessness charity Shelter and a trustee of the Council for Industry and Higher Education.

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About Siemens in the UK:

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