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Following the nomination of Didier Evrard as Airbus Executive Vice-President, Programmes, in December 2014, the following top management appointments are effective as of March 1st 2015:
Patrick Piedrafita, currently Head of the A330 Family Programme, is appointed Head of the A350 XWB Programme. In this new role, Patrick Piedrafita will report directly to Didier Evrard - Airbus Executive Vice-President Programmes and Member of the Airbus Executive Committee since December 16th 2014.
Eric Zanin, currently Head of Procurement Operations, is appointed Head of the A330 Family Programme, also reporting directly to Didier Evrard.
Klaus Roewe, currently Head of A320neo Programme, is appointed Head of the A320 Family Programme and succeeds in this role Daniel Baubil. Klaus will report directly to Didier Evrard.
Daniel Baubil will take over the responsibility of Senior Advisor to Didier Evrard.
Daniel will be in charge of the cross programmes competitiveness projects within the programme organisation.
Following Patrick Piedrafita's appointment as Head of A350 XWB Programme, and with the necessary full focus required by this strategic priority, Charles Champion, in addition to his current role as Executive Vice-President Engineering and Member of the Airbus Executive Committee, is assigned the role previously held by Patrick Piedrafita, of "Président Délégué Directeur Général of Airbus Operations SAS. In this specific role, Charles will report to Fabrice Brégier, Airbus President CEO.
"I would like to thank Patrick Piedrafita for the pivotal role he has played in bringing together all of Airbus activities in France under one roof, creating the single, harmonised operation we have in place today," said Fabrice Brégier, Airbus President CEO. "I am delighted to appoint Patrick as the new Head of the A350 XWB Programme and to leverage his valuable experience and leadership skills in programme management. Patrick brings the ideal expertise from the successful A330 Programme just as the A350 XWB enters its series production and ramp-up phase, both essential for the company's long-term success."
"As we focus our efforts on production challenges in close cooperation with our supply chain partners worldwide, Eric Zanin, brings a tremendous wealth of operational and strategic expertise to the A330 Family Programme moving forwards," said Fabrice Brégier. "Klaus Roewe has been truly instrumental in successfully driving the A320neo Programme. As we approach the transition between the A320ceo and the NEO, it makes sense to bring the A320 programme together under one single leadership."
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