

## **Press Release**

## New member of the Swissquote Board

At the General Assembly scheduled for 25 April 2008, the Board of Directors of Swissquote Group Holding AG will propose to elect Adrian Bult (49, Swiss citizen) as a new member of the Board. Since November 2007, Adrian Bult has been COO of Avaloq Evolution AG, Zurich. From 1997 to 2007, he held several leading positions within the Swisscom Group, the last one being CEO of Swisscom Mobile AG and member of the group's management. After earning a degree at the University of Saint-Gall, Adrian Bult worked for IBM's banking division, first by being in charge of operations for Switzerland and then also for Germany, Austria and Eastern Europe. Swissquote chairman Mario Fontana is convinced that "Adrian Bult will efficiently strengthen our Board thanks to his long leadership experience in the fields of IT and telecommunications."

Adrian Bult (1959, Swiss citizen and resident), COO of Avalog Evolution AG, Zurich.

Adrian Bult earned his degree in business management and marketing at the University of St. Gall in 1983. That same year, he started his professional career as a marketing assistant and sales consultant with IBM Switzerland. In 1988-89, he worked as a sales specialist for IBM UK. Back in Switzerland, he was in charge of IBM Switzerland's development of the banking market from 1989 to 1994 and of its banking profit centre. In 1994 he took over the same function for Germany, Austria and Eastern Europe. In 1997 he was promoted to regional director for these countries. The same year, Adrian Bult joined the Swiss telecommunications company, then called Telecom PTT. From 1998 on, he was Chief Information Officer of the newly renamed Swisscom. From 2001 to 2006, he was CEO of Swisscom Fixnet and finally, in 2007, CEO of Swisscom Mobile. He was also a member of the Swisscom group management since 1998. Adrian Bult is member of the Board of Swissgrid AG, Switzerland's national power grid operator. Besides that, he is also Committee member of the *Gesellschaft für Marketing (GfM)* and president of the IBM Alumni Network Switzerland.

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