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Gigi Levy-Weiss Elected to Supervisory Board of Bertelsmann SE & Co. KGaA

Gütersloh, May 5, 2015 – The Bertelsmann SE & Co. KGaA Annual General Meeting today elected the Israeli entrepreneur and investor Gigi Levy-Weiss (44) as a new member of the company's Supervisory Board. Gigi Levy-Weiss is an angel investor in numerous Internet and technology startups and holds an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in the U.S. Hartmut Ostrowski, former CEO of Bertelsmann, and Lars Rebien Sørensen, President and CEO of Novo Nordisk, are stepping down from the Board as planned.

Christoph Mohn, Chairman of the Bertelsmann Supervisory Board, said: "I am very pleased about Gigi Levy-Weiss being elected and look forward to our future cooperation on the Supervisory Board. Mr. Levy-Weiss has a high degree of international proficiency in the Internet and technology sector and will greatly enrich the discussions in the supervisory panel with his expertise. On behalf of all members of the Supervisory Board, I would also like to thank Hartmut Ostrowski and Lars Rebien Sørensen. By contributing in an outstanding manner to the strategic decisions made at Bertelsmann, they have both brought the company forward."

The Bertelsmann SE & Co. KGaA Supervisory Board is now composed as follows:

Christoph Mohn, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Chairman of the Reinhard Mohn Foundation Executive Board, Shareholder Bertelsmann Verwaltungsgesellschaft mbH

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Joachim Milberg, Vice Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, BMW AG, Shareholder Bertelsmann Verwaltungsgesellschaft mbH

Prof. Dr. Ing. Werner J. Bauer, Former Head of Innovation, Technology, Research and Development, Nestlé AG, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Nestlé Deutschland AG, Shareholder Bertelsmann Verwaltungsgesellschaft mbH

Dr. Wulf H. Bernotat, Former Chairman of the Executive Board, E.ON AG, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Deutsche Annington Immobilien SE

Kai Brettmann, Chairman of the RTL Group European Works Council, Chairman of the Mediengruppe RTL Deutschland Corporate Works Council

Murat Cetin, Chairman of the Works Council, Arvato Direct Services Dortmund GmbH, Chairman of the General Works Council, Arvato CRM II

Helmut Gettkant, Chairman of Bertelsmann SE & Co. KGaA Corporate Works Council

Ian Hudson, Chairman of the Bertelsmann Management Representative Committee, Bertelsmann SE & Co. KGaA (BMRC), CEO, Penguin Random House International

Dr. Karl-Ludwig Kley, Chairman of the Executive Board, Merck KGaA

Gigi Levy-Weiss, Angel Investor

Dr. Brigitte Mohn, Chairwoman of the German Stroke Foundation, Member of the Executive Board, Bertelsmann Stiftung, Shareholder Bertelsmann Verwaltungsgesellschaft mbH

Liz Mohn, Vice Chairwoman of the Executive Board, Bertelsmann Stiftung, Chairwoman of the Board, Bertelsmann Verwaltungsgesellschaft mbH

Hans Dieter Pötsch, Member of the Executive Board, Volkswagen AG, Finance and Controlling Division, Chief Financial Officer, Porsche Automobil Holding SE

Kasper Rorsted, Chairman of the Executive Board, Henkel AG & Co. KGaA

Christiane Sussieck, Chairwoman of the Corporate Center/Management Club and Direct Marketing Businesses Works Council, Bertelsmann SE & Co. KGaA, Vice Chairwoman of Bertelsmann SE & Co. KGaA Corporate Works Council

Bodo Uebber, Member of the Executive Board, Daimler AG

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