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Appointment Tex Gunning at AkzoNobel

Randstad Holding nv and Vedior N.V. announce that Tex Gunning will join AkzoNobel on September 1, 2008 as Managing Director of the Decorative Paints business.

Tex Gunning joined Vedior N.V. in 2007 as its Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Management. Since the announcement on Randstad & Vedior combining their activities in December 2007, Mr. Gunning has been responsible for leading the integration process of the two companies. He will continue in this role until the end of August.

"It has been a pleasure working with Tex over the last few months", says Ben Noteboom, CEO of Randstad Holding. "Tex has played a crucial role in making the Randstad-Vedior merger a reality. This combination creates a global leader in the HR services industry, well positioned to further shape the world of work. I am grateful for Tex' invaluable contribution to the integration process. One of his initiatives is introducing the 'Get to know you' sessions between Vedior and Randstad employees, based on mutual trust and respect. Initially implemented on board level, these sessions are now being cascaded all through the organization. We thank Tex for sharing his expertise and we wish him well in his future endeavors."

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Randstad Profile

In 2007, Randstad was the third largest staffing company in the world by revenue. The company offers a wide range of services that covers almost every aspect of HR services, from staffing, which includes finding temporary personnel (flexworkers and interim professionals) and permanent employees for clients, to the provision of a whole range of specialist services, such as HR consultancy and the management of HR processes. Randstad has close to 17,570 employees and 2,886 branches and inhouse locations in 20 countries around the world, primarily in Europe and North America. Randstad generated € 9.2 billion in revenue and € 554 million in EBITA in 2007. Randstad was founded in 1960 and is headquartered in Diemen, the Netherlands.

Vedior Profile

In 2007, Vedior was the fourth largest recruitment company in the world by revenue. Vedior is a full-service recruitment provider with a diversified portfolio of brands targeting a broad range of industry sectors. The company has a global network of offices spanning Europe, North America, Australia, Asia, Latin America and Africa. Vedior offers temporary and permanent recruitment as well as a number of complementary employment-related services such as outplacement, HR outsourcing, payrolling and training. Vedior has a leading market position in the provision of professionals/executive recruitment in sectors such as information technology, healthcare, accounting, engineering and education. Vedior has a more diverse portfolio of recruitment services than any other recruitment company. Vedior has 15,933 employees and 2,530 branches in 52 countries around the world. In 2007, Vedior generated € 8.4 billion in revenue and € 369 million EBITA (excluding non-recurring items). Vedior is headquartered in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.