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New CEO at Garaventa

István Szalai, CEO of the successful Swiss ropeways company Garaventa, will be handing over his responsibilities to the current COO, Arno Inauen, with effect from 1 April 2018, thereby ensuring continuity at Garaventa.

After ten years, Garaventa CEO István Szalai has decided to hand over his duties, effective from 1 April 2018. During his time as CEO, Mr Szalai has secured Garaventa's position as market leader in Switzerland and one of the world's leading innovators in the construction of reversible aerial tramways and funicular railways. István Szalai will become Chairman of the Board of Directors of Garaventa and continue his work in the operational management of the Doppelmayr/Garaventa Group.

New CEO Arno Inauen has an in-depth understanding of the business. Mr Inauen is a business economist and an engineering graduate from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH) who is very well connected in the ropeways industry and widely recognised as a proven specialist. He has been COO on Garaventa's management team since 2014 and is looking forward to the challenge of becoming the new CEO: "I am so happy and excited to be continuing the excellent work of my predecessor and leading Garaventa into a successful future."

Garaventa AG, Rotkreuz

Garaventa AG is a Swiss company with its headquarters in Rotkreuz and branches in Goldau, Uetendorf and Sion. The company is the Swiss subsidiary of the Doppelmayr/Garaventa Group and is well-established on the international stage as a competence centre for reversible aerial tramways, funicular railways, material ropeways and complex ropeway work. Garaventa is responsible for all ropeway projects in Switzerland. The Swiss subsidiary provides all the services and expertise for special ropeways to the Doppelmayr/Garaventa Group's companies around the world. Garaventa employs around 380 staff in Switzerland.

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Image

New Garaventa CEO Arno Inauen (right) with his predecessor István Szalai.