



Press release

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Romande Energie appoints Assia Garbinato to its Executive Board as the Head of Digital & Innovation support unit

Assia Garbinato, Chief Data Officer at Romande Energie since January 2020, has been appointed Head of the Group's Digital & Innovation support unit with effect from 1 July 2021. She also joins the Executive Board. Assia's mission is to create a digital ecosystem that will support the Group's new products and services. Centring on innovation, these are aimed at helping customers transition to cleaner forms of energy.

By appointing Assia as head of this unit, the Group is seeking to harness her expertise, which encompasses agile working and inclusive management, so that it can establish itself in a market undergoing rapid legal, technological and environmental changes. The Digital & Innovation support unit was set up in January 2020. Its goals are to make customer experience, new business lines and efficiency the touchstones of its operations, supported in each case by digital and analytical plus marketing and communication expertise.

Born in Algeria, where she also graduated in computer science (1994), Assia arrived at the EPFL (1995) to study for her PhD in IT. She subsequently began her career at a start-up, then joined Kudelski Group as a software engineer. In 2006 she moved to Vaudoise Assurances, where she was Head of Data & Information Management. In January 2020 she joined Romande Energie as Chief Data Officer, where she started putting data to work to advance the energy transition.

Business lines are evolving, and new skillsets in areas of sustainability and digitalisation are needed to supplement existing expertise and strengthen the three CSR pillars. The Digital & Innovation support unit stands front and centre of the Group's ambitions.

Romande Energie is delighted to welcome Assia to her new role and as a member of its Executive Board. Her appointment will bring even greater gender balance and contribute leading-edge expertise to the Executive Board, helping it to meet the challenges that lie ahead and to position the Group as a catalyst for Western Switzerland's shift away from carbon.

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Romande Energie at a glance

Romande Energie Group is the leading supplier of electricity in Western Switzerland and a mainstay in the Swiss energy industry. It offers several sustainable solutions for the distribution and generation of electricity in addition to energy services, which include energy efficiency and electromobility.

All its generation assets are driven by renewable sources of energy. Additionally, it is working hand in hand with customers, investors and employees to provide ever-better standards of living through innovative services and a commitment to corporate social responsibility. Romande Energie is dedicated, day in day out, to offering high-grade services and security of supply, just as customers expect, as well as supporting them in transitioning to more sustainable forms of energy and reducing carbon intensity across Western Switzerland.

For more information on Romande Energie Group, visit www.romande-energie.ch