

Audi Board of Management: Procurement leadership change

- **Renate Vachenauer is leaving Audi and the Volkswagen Group at her own request and by mutual agreement**
- **Chief Production Officer Gerd Walker will assume the interim management of the Procurement division**
- **Successor will start early 2026**

Ingolstadt, October 14, 2025 – The Supervisory Board of AUDI AG is announcing a change in the Board of Management team. Renate Vachenauer, former Board Member for Procurement, is leaving Audi and the Volkswagen Group by mutual agreement. This takes effect on October 15. The successor, who will take over in early 2026, will be announced in due course. Chief Production Officer Gerd Walker will assume the interim management of the Procurement division.

“We would like to thank Renate Vachenauer. In challenging times, she has strengthened the resilience and sustainability of the supply chains while also driving forward the repositioning of Audi Procurement with commitment and determination,” says Manfred Döss, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of AUDI AG.

Jörg Schlagbauer, Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board and Chairman of the General Works Council of AUDI AG: “Her commitment to a responsible Procurement strategy deserves great respect. We would like to thank Renate Vachenauer for her successful work during a challenging time for Audi.”

Gernot Döllner, CEO of AUDI AG: “The Audi Board of Management would like to thank Renate Vachenauer for her significant contribution to the realignment of Procurement. Her commitment has strengthened Audi’s operations and decisively enhanced its innovative capabilities through forward-looking and collaborative partnerships in the supplier network.”

Renate Vachenauer has more than 20 years of experience in the automotive industry and held various positions at the BMW Group both in Germany and abroad between 1999 and 2020. The doctor of electrical engineering joined Audi in Ingolstadt in April 2021 and initially took over as head of interior development, interaction, and data management. Renate Vachenauer assumed her role on the Board of Management on April 1, 2023, and was responsible for the Procurement division.

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In 2024, the Audi Group delivered 1.7 million Audi vehicles, 10,643 Bentley vehicles, 10,687 Lamborghini vehicles, and 54,495 Ducati motorcycles to customers. In the 2024 fiscal year, Audi Group achieved a total revenue of €64.5 billion and an operating profit of €3.9 billion. As of December 31, more than 88,000 people worked for the Audi Group, more than 55,000 of them at AUDI AG in Germany. With its attractive brands and numerous new models, the group is systematically pursuing its path toward becoming a provider of sustainable, fully networked premium mobility.
