

## Press release

### BankM AG: Change in the Executive Board at the end of the year

- **Ralf Hellfritsch retires, but remains active in an advisory capacity**
- **Internal successor with Markus Brosowski**

**Frankfurt, December 12, 2022** – There will be a change in BankM AG's Management Board at the turn of the year. Ralf Hellfritsch, one of three board members, will retire at the end of December. However, he will not only remain with BankM as a shareholder, but will also continue to work in an advisory capacity. So the German small and mid cap market does not have to completely do without one of its distinctive faces. As one of seven founders, Ralf Hellfritsch had launched BankM with its unique service approach in 2007 and was active as a board member for BankM AG and its predecessor company from the very beginning. The Supervisory Board, his colleagues on the Management Board and the entire BankM team wish Ralf all the best for the new phase of his life, thank him for his contribution to the successful development of the bank and look forward to continuing to work together in a changed role.

"After 15 years at BankM and a total of 26 years in the German capital market, it is time to make room for the next generation", Ralf Hellfritsch explains his decision. "I would like to thank all colleagues and our supervisory board as well as customers and service providers who accompanied and supported me during this time, or for whom I was allowed to work. I am looking forward to continue supporting the bank as an advisor in the future."

Markus Brosowski will succeed Ralf Hellfritsch on the Management Board of BankM as of January 1, 2023. Holding a diploma in business administration, Brosowski has been working for BankM since 2010. With his broad expertise in securities settlement and regulation, his many years of knowledge of internal structures and the high esteem in which he is held by the team, he is an excellent addition to the board and also represents a generational change. The two co-founders Thomas Stewens and Peter Sang will remain on the board unchanged. Together, the management team thus keeps standing for continuity and consistent contact persons in a rapidly changing environment - characteristics for which BankM has been appreciated by customers and partners for years.

"Ralf's contribution to the development of the bank cannot be overestimated. It is very much owed to him, that the bank today is so stable and broadly positioned in the area of settlement services as well as equity and debt capital expertise. We are all the more pleased, that Ralf will continue to support us and our customers with his immense wealth of experience in an advisory capacity. His place on the board will be filled by our long-time colleague Markus maintaining the highest level of competence. Thus, BankM AG will continue to be a guarantor for reliable capital market support in these turbulent times", Thomas Stewens comments on the change.

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