

*Fabian Kienbaum to follow Jochen Kienbaum in 2018*

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### ***Kienbaum settles its succession***

**Cologne, 6 June 2017** Jochen Kienbaum (70), long-standing figurehead of the HR and management consultancy Kienbaum, has chosen his successor: he is now joined by his son Fabian (33) in a leadership tandem at the head of the company. From 2018, Fabian Kienbaum will be leading the consulting enterprise as the sole Chairman of the Board.

Jochen Kienbaum explains the chosen approach: "Any succession process demands genuine trust and responsibility. They are particularly unique at companies with a family background. That goes for us as well. It is particularly important to me that Fabian and I can go this last mile of the succession process side by side."

Fabian Kienbaum has been active in the family business for the last 3.5 years. During this time he for instance has taken charge of the digital evolution of the company and established a successful line of investments in HR-centric start-ups. Already a member of the company's top management, he took over the COO's role in January 2017.

Fabian Kienbaum looks ahead: "We have dedicated ourselves to using all of the potential of our consulting business with all the people of Kienbaum. It is great for me to work with our management team to contribute my part to the future story of Kienbaum and take our company into its fourth generation."

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