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Hans-Christian Koehler has died

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On 5 July 2018, Hans-Christian Koehler, the long-time Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Nordzucker AG, died suddenly and unexpectedly at the age of 62.

With Hans-Christian Koehler Nordzucker AG loses a Supervisory Board Chairman with format and heart. The active farmer from Barum-Eppensen in the district of Uelzen was a passionate beet grower and has been active as a representative and ambassador for the northern German sugar industry since 1997. Initially as a member of the Executive Board of Zucker-Aktiengesellschaft Uelzen-Braunschweig (ZAG), later as its Chairman he was significantly involved in the foundation of Nordzucker AG (1997) and the merger to Nordzucker Holding AG (2004) and has been a member of its Executive Board since then.

He has been a member of the Supervisory Board since the foundation of Nordzucker AG and took over its chairmanship in 2011.

For him linking beet growers and shareholders was a success factor for the company. His passion for Nordzucker, his close ties to the company's farmers and employees, his well-founded knowledge and his willingness to take on responsibility have made him particularly outstanding.

With Hans-Christian Koehler, Nordzucker loses a personality that has shaped the development of the company to a particular extent.

We will be grateful to remember him. Our special condolences go out to his family.

Until further notice, his duties will be assumed by Jochen Johannes Juister, Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Nordzucker AG.

Background

The Nordzucker Group, based in Braunschweig, Germany, is one of the leading sugar manufacturers in Europe. The Group also processes sugar beet into bioethanol and animal feed. Sustainability along the entire value chain is a top priority for the company. A total of 3,200 employees and 18 production and refinery facilities across the Group ensure excellent products and services, thus providing a strong foundation for further growth.