

## Media release

### Thomas Dressendörfer to join Straumann as Chief Financial Officer

**Basel, 2 May 2011:** Straumann today announced the appointment of Thomas Dressendörfer as Chief Financial Officer of the Group and Member of the Executive Management Board. At 53, Mr Dressendörfer is a highly experienced finance executive with an international background. He will begin his new role at Straumann by the end of the third quarter this year.

Thomas Dressendörfer joins Straumann from Uster Technologies Ltd, where he has been Chief Financial Officer and a Member of the Executive Committee for the past three years. Uster is the leading manufacturer of high-technology testing and monitoring systems for the textile industry. Like Straumann, it is a publicly-traded medium-sized company rooted in Switzerland and generating the majority of its business internationally. It also has a strong focus on high quality, premium solutions and operates a business-to-business model.

Mr Dressendörfer has had a progressive career in finance, holding key senior finance positions (CFO of major business units/regions) in several international companies, including Randstad, The Nielsen Company, Procter & Gamble, and Baumüller.

His career has thus brought him through the Healthcare and Consumer Products industry, as well as the Personnel Services, Market Intelligence, and Mechanical Engineering sectors – in various countries. This experience, together with his financial expertise, leadership qualities and strong track record in business optimization, make him very well qualified and suited for his new role at Straumann.

Thomas Dressendörfer is a German citizen with a wide cultural background: in addition to his international professional experience, he grew up abroad and then studied in Germany, gaining a Masters in Business Administration and Economics from the University of Erlangen-Nürnberg. He is married and has three children.

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