



THE AFTERMARKET VALUE NETWORK

TEMOT International Announces Strategic Leadership Transition

TEMOT International announces a carefully structured leadership transition designed to ensure continuity, institutional stability, and long-term strategic development for its network shareholders', suppliers', and partners' network.

Effective 1 January 2027, Daniel Trost will assume the position of Co-CEO alongside current CEO and President Fotios Katsardis. Following 1 December 2027, Daniel Trost will formally assume the role of CEO of TEMOT International.

Daniel Trost joined TEMOT as COO in June 2025 and has since played a significant role in strengthening the organisation's operational optimisation, digital transformation, and future systems architecture. With more than 20 years of international experience across IT, finance, organisational transformation, digital ecosystems, and wholesale distribution — including executive roles at SELECT AG as Chief Digital Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and Chief Human Resources Officer — he represents a leadership profile greatly aligned with the evolving realities of the independent automotive aftermarket.

This change is significant for the whole sector. TEMOT, a leading international trading group, has chosen an exceptional Executive from within its operational and strategic wholesale distribution team as its new leader. This move marks a notable shift, underscoring TEMOT's ongoing commitment to connecting with entrepreneurs, understanding day-to-day business, and supporting independent family-owned companies.

TEMOT International today represents one of the aftermarket's leading strategic cooperation networks, connecting more than 100 eponymous shareholders globally, while safeguarding and reinforcing their competitiveness and entrepreneurial independence of their predominantly privately owned and family-led enterprises. For over twenty years, it has been steered by Fotios Katsardis through market changes, technological advances, political shifts, environmental challenges, and complex regulations. His leadership brought targeted global expansion and stronger governance, operational consistency, compliance, and shareholder alignment—making TEMOT a respected homogeneous international organisation.

Commenting on the transition, Fotios Katsardis stated:

We are delighted to announce Daniel's appointment to TEMOT, recognising him as one of the most accomplished executives in the aftermarket sector. Daniel demonstrates exceptional technological expertise, operational discipline, and a global outlook, coupled with a thorough understanding of the independent automotive aftermarket and its evolving challenges. Moreover, he aligns closely with TEMOT's core philosophy—strengthening the long-term competitiveness, resilience, and entrepreneurial independence of our shareholders, who are primarily privately owned, family-led enterprises established across generations. This transition represents not only a leadership change but also the continuation of TEMOT's strategic direction under the guidance of a distinguished industry leader. The new leadership structure is already underway and will be finalised in 2027, reflecting TEMOT's commitment to steady evolution and continuity by cultivating the next generation of leadership internally without disruption.