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Appointment of Managing Director, Auto

Super Retail Group (ASX:SUL) has appointed experienced global retail executive Benjamin Ward as Managing Director, Auto. He will lead the Group's Auto division and join the Executive Leadership Team, with effect from 29 July 2019.

Mr Ward brings to Super Retail Group almost 25 years of retailing, product-sourcing, merchandise and store management expertise. He was most recently Managing Director, Global Business Coordination for ALDI Supermarkets based in Dusseldorf, Germany.

Super Retail Group Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Anthony Heraghty said "Supercheap Auto is a flagship business for the Group and Australia's first choice for automotive products, tools and in-car technology. Benjamin's wealth of global retailing and supply-chain experience will help ensure the business strengthens its position as the market leader in Auto retail."

"Benjamin has consistently prioritised a customer-first approach to retail management, which makes him an excellent fit for our organisation. His most recent position driving a technology focus to the in store and online retail experience makes him an ideal candidate to lead Supercheap Auto in its next phase of growth.

"He will bring fresh perspectives to the Auto division based on his extensive international retail experience and team leadership, particularly with ALDI where Benjamin has played a key role in the global transformation of the German supermarket giant."

Chris Wilesmith, who joined Super Retail Group in 2006, will leave the business in August 2019.

"Chris has overseen the expansion of the Supercheap Auto business and leaves the Auto division in robust shape. In his time at Super Retail Group, including many years on the leadership team, Chris has been a committed team member and has contributed significantly to the performance over many years. On behalf of the Board and everyone at Super Retail Group, we thank Chris for his contribution and wish him well for the future," Mr Heraghty said.

Mr Ward said "I am excited at the prospect of leading Supercheap Auto, which is a second garage for millions of Australians. I want to build on the renowned strong culture among our engaged team members to provide an even better experience for our customers. I look forward to driving the next phase of growth for this fantastic business, which will focus on leveraging our scale and brand strength, engaging with our 1.5 million active loyalty club members and transforming Supercheap Auto into a seamless omni retailer."

Benjamin Ward biography:

Benjamin Ward is an experienced retail executive, with almost 25 years in senior management roles across Australia, the United Kingdom, the United States and Europe, including two decades with international supermarket giant ALDI. He was most recently Managing Director, Global Business Coordination for ALDI Supermarkets based in Dusseldorf, Germany and will relocate to Brisbane for the new role. In a broad spectrum of senior leadership roles at ALDI, Benjamin was involved in strategy development and organisation management at the highest levels.

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