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# **Executive Committee announcement**

After a career at Syngenta and legacy companies spanning 32 years, John Ramsay has decided to retire from the company at the end of September in order to pursue other interests. John was instrumental in the foundation of Syngenta and has served with distinction as CFO since 2007 and CEO *ad interim* until June of this year. John will be succeeded as CFO and member of the Executive Committee by Mark Patrick, currently Head of Commercial Finance. In his 23 years with the company, Mark has held a variety of roles of increasing seniority within the Finance function.

**Erik Fyrwald**, **CEO**, said: "I should like to thank John for his many accomplishments at the company. He was instrumental in the creation of Syngenta and in the foundation of the Finance function. More recently, as CEO *ad interim*, he guided the company through a period of uncertainty with great skill and judgment and was central to the transaction agreement with ChemChina. I wish him every success in his future endeavors.

"I also welcome Mark to his new role as CFO. Mark brings tremendous capability, experience and energy to this critical role."

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