

LKQ Europe Announces New CEO for Benelux-France Region

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Zug, Switzerland. LKQ Europe has announced the appointment of Sebastien Vanderperre as the new CEO of its Benelux-France Region.

Sebastien will take up the role on 1 May 2025, bringing more than two decades of senior leadership experience in the automotive aftermarket.

He joins from Bridgestone, where he was Director of the Consumer Tires EMEA division for France and Benelux. His career has also included senior international roles at Continental, including Managing Director for Australia-New Zealand and North Africa, Sales Director for Southern Europe, and other commercial and operational leadership positions across EMEA and APAC.

Sebastien succeeds Alex Gelbcke, who recently left LKQ to take up a new position as Senior Vice President Aftermarket Europe at LKQ supplier partner, ZF Aftermarket.

Andy Hamilton, President and Executive Managing Director of LKQ Europe, said: "Sebastien's appointment is a major asset for our business in France and the Benelux regions. He brings deep automotive and tire understanding, a strong commercial mindset and a proven track record of delivering transformation at scale across complex, multi-country operations.

"His leadership style, entrepreneurial approach and international perspective align perfectly with our wider European strategy – helping workshops to meet the challenges of the future by investing in our concept networks, training and product offering, while simplifying our structures to drive better outcomes for our customers. I'm looking forward to working closely with Sebastien as we continue to grow and evolve LKQ Europe."

Sebastien Vanderperre, CEO LKQ Benelux and France Regions, said: "I'm thrilled to be joining LKQ at such an exciting time – both for the business and the broader European aftermarket. I've long admired LKQ's vision, its customer focus and its commitment to innovation and investment.

"This is a fantastic opportunity to lead a dynamic, high-performing region with a talented team and strong foundation. I can't wait to get started and begin contributing to LKQ Europe's ongoing success."

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About LKQ Europe

LKQ Europe, a subsidiary of LKQ Corporation (www.lkqcorp.com), headquartered in Zug, Switzerland, is the leading distributor of automotive aftermarket parts for cars, commercial vans, and industrial vehicles in Europe. It currently employs approximately 26,500 people with a network of more than 900 branches and approximately \$6.4 billion in revenue in 2024. The organization supplies more than 100,000 workshops in over 18 European countries in the following regions: Benelux-France, Central Eastern Europe, DACH, Italy, Scandinavia and UK & Ireland.

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