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**PRESS RELEASE**  
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## **ChemCom appoints new CEO to intensify international development**

**After 18 years leading ChemCom, Christian Van Osselaer hands over the reins to a new CEO. Jean-François Pollet, renowned for his experience in the world of biotechnologies, will now head the Brussels company in its development and growth. A change guided by the intensification of ChemCom's activities and perspectives.**

*"We welcome Jean-François Pollet and wish him lots of success!", that's the way Christian Van Osselaer greets his successor. This is a new step in ChemCom's life. Founded in 2000, the biotech company was the first in the world to address human Olfactory Receptors (hORs). Its scientists have developed a biological nose able to mimic human olfaction. The company is undergoing international expansion: "The platform developed by ChemCom, explains Christian Van Osselaer, can lead to various applications in the development of smelling molecules, antagonists (malodor blockers), enhancers (pleasant odors boosters) and the creation of simpler or cheaper formulation. At this stage, ChemCom needs to intensify business development and partnerships".*

This mission is assigned to a biotech expert, Jean-François Pollet. Co-founder and CEO of Belgian companies Novadip and Henogen, this Doctor of Molecular Biology is backed by 23 years of experience in the entrepreneurial world. *"I stay in the biotech family", he says, "It's a real pleasure to join ChemCom. It is a beautiful Belgian gem, already well-established in the olfactory and flavor sector. I am looking forward to helping launch new and better performing products in the Flavors & Fragrances, cosmetics and agri-food markets".* ChemCom also has great potential in the cosmetics and pharmaceutical fields: *"The olfactory receptors you have in your nose are also active in other organs, the CEO continues. This will make it possible to explore new treatments thanks to the biological nose".*

A few weeks after the announcement of its partnership with the Symrise AG group, one of the world leaders in the olfactory and taste sector, ChemCom continues to strengthen its international expansion.

Christian Van Osselaer, CEO BIOFIRST group (Floridienne Life Science Division), will continue to support actively the future of the company as a member of the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.

### **About ChemCom**

**ChemCom is the first biotech company in the world to address human Olfactory Receptors (hORs) for Flavors &Fragrances, cosmetic, dermatologic and pharmaceutical applications.**

**ChemCom is an innovative discovery company developing New Chemical Entities (NCEs) or revealing new properties of existing molecules targeting sensory receptors (olfactory and taste receptors).**

**ChemCom offers a unique combination of knowledge, experience and solutions focused on the needs of our business partners. Together we co-create innovative solutions to delight consumers around the world.**

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