

#### MEDIA RELEASE

# Legrand's Charlie Derk Appointed to CABA Board of Directors

CABA and Legrand today announced that Charlie Derk, director of product marketing for the company's QMotion and Vantage brands, has been appointed to the Continental Automated Buildings Association (CABA) board of directors. Legrand is a global innovation leader in electrical and digital infrastructures for homes, workplaces, and data centers. CABA is an international, nonprofit industry association dedicated to the advancement of connected home and intelligent building technologies.

Derk has worked in lighting and shading controls for more than 20 years, with roles ranging from engineering and product management to marketing and sales. At Legrand, he is primarily responsible for guiding the company's strategic direction for shading and residential controls. Previously, he was instrumental in building Crestron's shading product line and served as lead engineer for Lutron's HomeWorks Interactive platform. Based in northern New Jersey, Derk holds a degree in computer science. He takes over for Andrew Wale — vice president of product marketing, BCS division, Legrand North America — as the company's representative on the CABA board.

"I am very pleased to welcome Charlie Derk to the CABA board of directors," said Ron Zimmer, CABA president & CEO. "He has a vast knowledge in lighting and shading control products, a key strategic segment within the integrated building technologies market. He brings a rare combination of experience, as both an engineering and product development veteran and as a marketing and sales leader."

"It's a great honor to join the CABA board on behalf of Legrand," said Derk. "I look forward to working with the organization toward our common goal of advancing the connected home and intelligent building sector by driving the evolution of control and automation technologies."

## **About CABA**

CABA is an international not-for-profit industry association dedicated to the advancement of connected home and intelligent building technologies. The organization is supported by an international membership of over 380 organizations involved in the design, manufacture, installation and retailing of products relating to integrated home and building technology. Public organizations, including utilities and government organizations are also members. CABA's mandate includes providing its members with networking and market research opportunities. CABA also encourages the development of industry standards and protocols, and leads cross-industry initiatives. More information is available at CABA.org.

# **About Legrand and Legrand North America**

Legrand is the global specialist in electrical and digital building infrastructures. Its comprehensive offering of solutions for use in commercial, industrial, and residential markets makes it a benchmark for customers worldwide. Drawing on an approach that involves all teams and stakeholders, Legrand is pursuing its strategy of

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profitable and sustainable growth driven by acquisitions and innovation, with a steady flow of new offerings — including connected products stemming from Legrand's global Eliot (Electricity and IoT) program. Legrand is one of the most sustainable companies in the world, as ranked by the Corporate Knights, and is committed to achieving carbon, water, and waste reductions in its operations, deepening its community relationships, and continuously improving the environmental profile of its products. Legrand reported sales of around \$7.1 billion (USD) in 2018. Legrand has a strong presence in North and Central America, with a portfolio of well-known market brands and product lines. Legrand is listed on Euronext Paris and is a component stock of indexes including the CAC40. http://www.legrand.us/.

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