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Dr. Hans Grüter is leaving COLTENE Holding AG

Altstätten, September 23, 2013 – Dr. Hans Grüter, Chief Financial Officer and a member of the Management Board of COLTENE Holding AG (SIX Swiss Exchange: CLTN), is leaving the Company to pursue a new career challenge in the software industry. The Board of Directors and Group Management regret Hans Grüter's decision and his resignation following the year-end closing 2013. At the same time, they thank Hans Grüter for his untiring efforts on behalf of COLTENE Group and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

Dr. Hans Grüter served on the Management Board of COLTENE Group since 2006 and in his capacity as Chief Financial Officer of COLTENE Holding AG where he was responsible for finance/controlling as well as IT and human resources. Hans Grüter established an optimal framework for our finance and IT units in the seven years following the Company's IPO, allowing the Group to now operate effectively and efficiently worldwide with a lean structure.

CEO Martin Schaufelberger: "It has been a pleasure to work with Hans Grüter as a partner and colleague and I wish him much success in his future endeavors. Hans Grüter was a great source of support when I took up my position as CEO. He provided key inputs during the recent strategic review and realignment, and we are pleased with the ongoing implementation process."

The Board of Directors of COLTENE Holding AG and the CEO have already initiated the search for a suitable successor to Hans Grüter and an announcement will be made as soon as a new CFO has been recruited.

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Financial Calendar

Full-year Results 2013	February 28, 2014
Annual General Meeting of Shareholders	April 15, 2014
Half-year Report 2014	August, 2014



About COLTENE

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