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## Media Release

### Astrid Waser proposed for election to the Board of Directors

**Altstaetten, March 3, 2017 – COLTENE Holding AG (SIX Swiss Exchange: (CLTN), an internationally leading developer and producer of dental consumables, announced today that the Board of Directors will propose the election of Astrid Waser as a new member of the Board of Directors at the Annual General Meeting on March 29, 2017. Astrid Waser is a partner in the internationally renowned law firm Lenz & Staehelin. Robert Heberlein, Vice Chairman and long-serving member of the Board of Directors, is not standing for re-election and will step down as of the 2017 Annual General Meeting.**

Astrid Waser, born in 1971, has many years of experience as a legal counsel for companies, specializing in competition and procurement law and compliance issues. Astrid Waser studied law at the University of Lausanne, earned her doctorate at the University of Zurich and completed the Master in European Law program (LL.M.) at the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium.

As of the 2017 Annual General Meeting, Robert Heberlein will step down as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of COLTENE Holding AG. Robert Heberlein was a member of the Board of Directors since the foundation of the company following separation from the then Gurit-Heberlein AG. With his broad-based entrepreneurial and legal perspective, Robert Heberlein put his stamp on COLTENE Holding AG over a very long period and had an important influence on key strategic decisions that set the course for the company's successful development.

Nick Huber, Chairman of the Board of Directors of COLTENE Holding AG comments: "We are delighted to have Astrid Waser on board, a supremely experienced legal expert who will help bring our company forward. As a lawyer with a corporate background, she will enhance the Board of Directors' perspective and way of acting and is the ideal addition to our board. I also wish to thank Robert Heberlein for his visionary and extremely valuable commitment to COLTENE Holding AG's sustainable development over many years. As his long-standing associate, I am greatly obliged to Robert Heberlein for what he has accomplished."

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