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Please find here a news release issued today by the Transported Asset Protection Association (TAPA):

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TAPA STRENGTHENS LEADERSHIP TEAM TO DRIVE SUPPLY CHAIN RESILIENCE STRATEGY AND REDUCE CARGO CRIME IN EMEA

The Transported Asset Protection Association (TAPA) has announced key appointments to its leadership and Advisory Board teams in the Europe, Middle East & Africa (EMEA) region as it experiences record growth in all aspects of its supply chain resilience and cargo crime prevention activities.



Thorsten Neumann, President & CEO of TAPA EMEA, has appointed Ap Boom as the Association's new Chief Financial & Compliance

Officer. A former volunteer member of the region's Board of Directors, Ap joins TAPA EMEA in this new full-time role after more than 20 years in the security industry. After holding senior security management roles in the retail and ICT services sectors, Ap's career in supply chain security started when he joined TNT in 2009 and, later, DHL International. Prior to accepting this new post, he spent over four years with Amazon, latterly as Senior Manager EMEA Security & Loss Prevention.

Markus Prinz has also joined TAPA EMEA's full-time team in the newly-created role of Senior Manager, Trainings & Standards. During his term on the regional Board of Directors, he led the growth and transformation of the Association's Security Standards training programme which, in 2020, delivered face-to-face and online courses for over 1,000 TAPA members. Markus previously spent over 20 years with logistic services providers in Germany, most recently as Senior Manager Quality & Security Systems at Hammer GmbH.

Mark Grüntjes	Björn Hartong	Paul Linders	Marcel Saarloos	Ap Boom	Markus Prinz
Boehringer Ingelheim Corporate Center	Zurich Insurance	CEVA Logistics	HP Inc.	Chief Financial & Compliance Officer	Senior Manager Trainings and Standards

TAPA EMEA members have also elected four more members to the region's Advisory Board:

- Marcel Saarloos of HP Inc.
- Mark Grüntjes of Boehringer Ingelheim Corporate Center GmbH
- Björn Hartong of Zurich Insurance
- Paul Linders of CEVA Logistics

Marcel, Mark, Björn and Paul join the previously appointed Advisory Board members:

- Gilad Solnik of Amazon
- Michael Schmidt of Volkswagen
- Frank Ewald of Deutsche Post DHL Group

Commenting on the changes, Thorsten Neumann said: "TAPA's reputation as the world's leading supply chain resilience and security association is reflected in the calibre of our membership. In the EMEA region, we are fortunate that some of the leading security experts in our industry are also willing to give

us the benefit of their knowledge and experience by serving on our Advisory Board. We have an outstanding team to help us deliver our ambitious growth agenda over the next three years, and to ensure we provide more benefits to our members to help them manage risks in their supply chains. I am also delighted to welcome Ap and Markus to our full-time team. They have both previously served TAPA EMEA in a voluntary capacity, and with great distinction. They will now play an important role in accelerating our activities in the supply chain industry."

TAPA EMEA supports the resilience of its members' supply chains through its industry-leading supply chain security standards and certification programmes for facilities, trucking and secure truck parking. It also provides training services and cargo theft intelligence resources to help members' risk management and loss prevention programmes.

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About TAPA

TAPA was formed in 1997 to tackle the multi-billion euro problem of cargo thefts from supply chains. Today, it boasts over 800 member companies globally, including many of the world's biggest manufacturers and logistics service providers as well as leading SME freight forwarding and transport operators, and other stakeholders.

TAPA's mission is to minimise cargo losses from the supply chain by helping its members manage risk and achieve the highest levels of supply chain resilience. TAPA achieves this through the development and application of its global supply chain Security Standards, collating and sharing of incident intelligence, training, networking and through its support of, and collaboration with, governmental and regulatory bodies.

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