

Press Release

New Member of the Board of Directors

Professor Dr. Klaus G. Saur appointed to Chair of the Board of Directors at Walter de Gruyter Publishers

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The Board of Directors at Walter de Gruyter Publishers, Berlin, which currently includes **Reinhold Tokar**, **Dr. Anke Beck** and **Wolfgang Böttner**, welcomes a new member: as of 1 January 2005, **Professor Dr. Saur** will take over as Managing Associate and Chair of the Board of Directors.

Publisher Klaus Gerhard Saur has outstanding knowledge about the international scientific market. His know-how and extensive contacts will strengthen the publishing competence of the Board of Directors. Director **Reinhold Tokar** comments, "I am pleased that we are now able to intensify the excellent cooperation that we began with Prof. Dr. Saur as an advisor."

The publishers' numerous activities for increasing its growth perspectives aim to rapidly expand international publishing. **Attorney Gert Krüger**, Chair of the Advisory Board: "Prof. Dr. Saur's appointment to the Board of Directors will give the already successful growth initiatives a further boost." The future Director also sees strong potential for the international market. **Prof. Dr. Saur**: "As one of the oldest, independent German scientific publishers, de Gruyter has always fascinated me, and I am convinced that, with its unusually broad copyright pool and its international renown, [the company] has a great chance for the future."

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