



Gard appoints new Managing Director for Hong Kong office

Gard announced today that André Werner Kroneberg will be replacing Mark Russell as Managing Director of the Hong Kong office from 1 January 2022.

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André is currently Chief Underwriting Officer in Asia, a role he will retain. Mark will be returning to Gard UK to assume global responsibility for Cargo Claims, as well as a new role as Senior Advisor to the Chief Claims Officer for Loss Control on Large Claims.

Rolf Thore Roppestad, CEO of Gard, commented “Asia is a vitally important region for the maritime industries, and Gard has invested considerable resources over the last decade building our footprint there so we can offer a first class service wherever we are needed. André’s experience of our Members and clients in the region, plus his knowledge of Gard, will be invaluable in building on the first class work that Mark has led.”

André joined Gard in December 2005 since when he has held various positions including Vice President Products, Managing Director for Gard UK, before becoming CUO in Asia.

Notes to Editors

1. Gard is a shipowner-controlled provider of P&I, marine and energy insurance products, with gross written premium of USD 922 million, with nearly 550 staff in 13 offices around the world.
2. The direct insurance entities within the Gard group; Gard P. & I. (Bermuda) Ltd, Assuranceforeningen Gard, Gard Marine & Energy Limited and Gard Marine & Energy Insurance (Europe) Limited are rated 'A+' by Standard & Poor's.

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