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Selectarc Appoints Silvino Caetano as Chief Executive Officer

France's manufacturer of welding and brazing filler metals, Selectarc is entering a new phase of its development with the appointment of Silvino Caetano as Chief Executive Officer. Drawing on extensive international industrial experience, he will lead the company's strategy for growth, innovation and operational excellence.

Selectarc announces the appointment of **Silvino Caetano** as Chief Executive Officer, effective **July 1, 2026**. This appointment marks a new chapter in the company's development following seven years under the leadership of Jean-Pierre Gebhardt.

On this occasion, Selectarc would like to express its sincere gratitude to Jean-Pierre Gebhardt for his commitment and significant contribution to the company's development. His leadership has guided several key milestones and played a major role in strengthening Selectarc's reputation in France and internationally.

With extensive experience gained within leading international industrial groups, Silvino Caetano has held executive management positions in demanding industrial environments, combining operational excellence, strategic development and multicultural team leadership. Before joining Selectarc, he held senior management positions at **Framatome**. Throughout his career, he has developed recognized expertise in managing high value-added industrial businesses.

> *"Selectarc has outstanding industrial, human and technological strengths. I am proud to join a French company renowned for its expertise and commitment to quality. Together, we share a clear ambition: to strengthen our position in strategic markets and support our customers with increasingly high-performance and innovative solutions."*
> — Silvino Caetano, Selectarc Chief Executive Officer

Founded in **1796**, Selectarc is today **France's only manufacturer of welding and brazing filler metals**. Thanks to its integrated industrial model, in-house R&D laboratory, and **ISO 9001** and **ISO 19443** certifications, the company supports manufacturers across all industrial markets, from conventional applications to the most demanding and strategic environments, particularly in the **nuclear, defence, energy and rail** sectors.

Against a backdrop of growing industrial sovereignty challenges, supply chain security and increasingly stringent quality and traceability requirements, Selectarc continues to pursue its growth strategy through international expansion, sustained investment and strengthened industrial capabilities, reinforcing its position in both the French and global markets.

This new leadership builds on the values that have shaped Selectarc's identity and success for many years: long-standing metallurgical expertise, a strong culture of innovation, an uncompromising commitment to quality, and close relationships with customers and partners. Remaining true to its DNA, the company will continue to build on these strengths to meet the evolving needs of its customers and partners.

About Selectarc

Selectarc is France's manufacturer of welding and brazing filler metals. The company designs, manufactures, recommends and distributes high-performance solutions for industrial joining, maintenance and repair applications. Its products serve a wide range of industries, from conventional manufacturing to the most demanding environments. Supported by an integrated R&D laboratory, Selectarc develops tailor-made solutions that meet its customers' specific technical requirements.

Key figures :

- *140 emloyees, including 110 in France*
- *2 production sites de in Bourgogne Franche Comté region*
- *Presence in 100 countries*
- *ISO 9001 et ISO 19443 certified*

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