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### New CEO & President of Kverneland Group

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Mr. Dai Watanabe, CEO & President of Kverneland Group, has been given a new assignment as Senior Managing Executive Officer and General Manager of the Farm and Industrial Machinery Strategy and Operations Headquarters in Kubota Group and will be leaving his current position as from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2019.

At the same date Mr. Kazunari Shimokawa will replace Mr. Watanabe as President and CEO of Kverneland AS and as President of Kubota Holdings Europe B.V.

Mr. Shimokawa entered Kubota Corp. in 1982, and has been working for Kubota more than 36 years in various management positions, of which almost 20 years in Europe. In his current role he has been Vice President of Kubota Holdings Europe, President of Kubota Europe S.A.S. and EVP of Business Unit Tractor, - Engine, and – Parts in Europe.

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