



Press release

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Verallia France announces the appointment of Johanna Lascaux as Director of the Chalon-sur-Saône Plant

Verallia France, a subsidiary of the Verallia Group, the leading European and third-largest global producer of glass packaging for beverages and food products, has appointed Johanna Lascaux as Director of the Chalon-sur-Saône plant, effective February 1, 2025.



Reporting to the Industrial Director, Johanna Lascaux will lead the Group's largest plant, which specializes in spirits, still wines, non-alcoholic beverages, and food packaging. She succeeds David Haguët, who will now take on the role of Director of Operational Excellence for Verallia France, after two years as Plant Director.

A graduate of the École Supérieure d'Ingénieurs en Emballage et Conditionnement (ESIEC), Johanna Lascaux has extensive expertise in innovation and engineering within the packaging industry.

She began her career in 2003 at Saint-Gobain Desjonquères (now Verescence) as a Packaging Engineer. She joined Verallia in August 2011, first as a Project Manager for spirits development in Albi, then as Quality Manager at the Chalon-sur-Saône site in 2016. Since late 2021, she has held the position of Operational Excellence Manager.

Johanna Lascaux on Her Appointment: *"I am delighted to continue my career at Verallia, in a site that is particularly dear to me—Chalon-sur-Saône. I sincerely thank the management team and Fabien Marion for this opportunity. I am ready to further develop the Chalon-sur-Saône site while strengthening its industrial and local presence, and to take on the challenges of decarbonization alongside all our teams."*

Chalon-sur-Saône: Verallia's Largest Plant in France

Built in **1912**, the **Chalon-sur-Saône** plant has become the **largest** of Verallia's **32** production sites, both in **size and capacity**, producing up to **1 billion bottles per year**.

Specializing in **white glass bottles and jars** for **spirits, still wines, non-alcoholic beverages, and the food sector**, the plant employs **480 people**. It is particularly known for producing the **"dead leaf" tint**, characteristic of **Burgundy wine bottles**.

"The Chalon-sur-Saône site is a strategic asset for Verallia, and I am excited to work with Johanna Lascaux to write the next chapter of its story. Her expertise in glass manufacturing and her long-standing commitment to Verallia will be key in strengthening Chalon's position as a leader in the glass industry, while addressing stakeholder expectations and environmental challenges. Together, we will continue to build a high-performing, sustainable, and forward-looking industry," said **Fabien Marion, Industrial Director**.



Verallia Chalon-sur-Saône in Numbers

Number of furnaces	3
Glass colors	White and "dead leaf" glass colors
Production capacity	1 billion bottles per year
Markets served	Spirits, still wines, non-alcoholic beverages, and food products
Employees	480
Local presence	112 years

About Verallia

At Verallia, our purpose is to reimagine glass to build a sustainable future. We aim to redefine how glass is produced, reused, and recycled, making it the most sustainable packaging material in the world. We join forces with our customers, suppliers, and other partners throughout our value chain to develop new healthy and sustainable solutions for all. With nearly 11,000 employees and 35 glass plants in 12 countries, we are the European leader and the world's third-largest producer of glass packaging for beverages and food products, offering innovative, customized, and environmentally friendly solutions to more than 10,000 companies worldwide. Verallia produces more than 16 billion glass bottles and jars and achieved a turnover of 3.9 billion euros in 2023. Verallia's CSR strategy has been awarded the Platinum Ecovadis medal, placing the Group in the top 1% of companies evaluated by Ecovadis. Our CO2 emissions reduction target of -46% on scopes 1 and 2 between 2019 and 2030 is validated by SBTI (Science Based Targets Initiative). It is aligned with the 1.5°C warming limit trajectory set by the Paris Agreement. Verallia is listed on the A compartment of the regulated market of Euronext Paris (Ticker: VRLA – ISIN: FR0013447729) and is included in the following indices: CAC SBT 1.5°, STOXX600, SBF 120, CAC Mid 60, CAC Mid & Small, and CAC All-Tradable. In France, Verallia perpetuates glassmaking know-how through its 7 plants located in Lagnieu, Cognac, Chalon-sur-Saône, Oiry, St-Romain-Le-Puy, Vauxrot, and Albi. Anchored close to the needs of the wine and food sector, Verallia France is a leading local player, with more than 2,000 employees across the country.

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