



## Gard announces appointment of Chief Claims Officer

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Gard today announced the appointment of Christen Guddal as Chief Claims Officer, effective from 20 February 2016. He will succeed Svein Andersen who will retire from Gard in October of this year, having headed the claims function for seven years.

Rolf Thore Roppestad, Chief Executive, said “I am pleased that we have been able to fill this strategically important role from within Gard. In Christen we have a successor to Svein who will be able to lead the group claims organisation forward as the maritime industry becomes increasingly complex. His deep experience from 15 years in claims, including three years as its head, combined with his management experience made him the ideal candidate.”

Prior to his appointment, Christen was Senior Vice President, Head of Industry Liaison and Quality Management at Gard.

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### Notes to Editors

1. Gard is a shipowner-controlled provider of P&I, marine and energy insurance products, with gross written premium of USD 990 million, with over 450 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) AS are rated 'A+' by Standard & Poor's.

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