

## Change in the management of Akcenta, Jacek Jurczynski joins as a new CEO

Hradec Kralove, February 14, 2024 - After almost 14 years, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Akcenta CZ, a payment institution that handles foreign payment and foreign exchange operations for exporters and importers, is changing. Jacek Jurczynski succeeds Milan Cerman, who has resigned from the top post.

Jacek does not come to an unfamiliar environment, having been the chairman of Akcenta's supervisory board since 2021. Prior to that, he worked as Head of Capital Markets Sales at Raiffeisen Bank International in Vienna. However, his career in the financial sector is much richer, as he has drawn on his experience in senior positions at mBank, BGK, Goldman Sachs and BPH, to name a few.

Jacek holds a Master's degree in Finance and Banking from the Warsaw School of Economics. In his spare time he is an avid cyclist and also, perhaps a bit uncharacteristically for a native of Warsaw, a hockey fan.

*"Milan took Akcenta a huge step forward, turning a small, Czech company into one of the biggest players in the field of foreign exchange traders and later payment institutions in Central Europe. For that he deserves a lot of credit and thanks. My task is to develop Akcenta further, especially in the area of digitalisation, where we have a deficit that we need to make up as quickly as possible. But digitalisation does not mean giving up our personal approach to clients, which is what sets us apart from our competitors and what our clients value across the six European markets where we operate. On the contrary, we want to be even closer to our clients, but at the same time we want to put digital tools in their hands that will make their work even easier and more efficient,"* said Jacek Jurczynski, the new Chairman of the Board of Akcenta, on his appointment, adding: *"For this reason, among other things, our internal IT development as well as business will be directly under my responsibility."*

*"Almost 14 years is a long time in any career and it also speaks volumes about how much Akcenta has grown close to my heart, how much I have enjoyed working for it and how we have pushed and developed it further together with the whole great team we have built. It is without my colleagues and their experience and commitment that we would not have been able to overcome all the challenges not only in the Czech market, but also in the other five markets where we have successfully expanded. However, I decided to look for new challenges and I am convinced that Jacek Jurczynski is the right captain to guide Akcenta through the turbulent digital transformation safely and successfully. Moreover, he will certainly be able to improve the cooperation with the RBI Group,"* said Milan Cerman on his tenure at Akcenta.

### About AKCENTA CZ a.s.



AKCENTA CZ is one of the most important foreign exchange traders on the Czech market and in Central Europe with more than 25 years of tradition. In addition to favourable individual exchange rates for buying and selling foreign exchange and minimal fees for payment transactions, it also offers hedging against exchange rate risks (forward transactions and options). The company is also active in Poland, Hungary, Slovakia, Romania and Germany. The client portfolio consists of over 54,000 entities, mostly small and medium-sized companies oriented to export or import.



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