

## Press release

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# Estelle Brachlianoff becomes President of the French Chamber of Great Britain

The French Chamber of Great Britain (French Chamber) has announced the election of Estelle Brachlianoff, Senior Executive Vice-President, UK & Ireland, Veolia as its new President. Estelle Brachlianoff, together with Deputy President, Stephen Burgin, Vice President of Europe for Alstom Power, were officially elected by members of the Chamber at the French Chamber's Annual General Meeting on Thursday 25 June. The AGM, which took place at the offices of Reed Smith, was attended by HE Ms Sylvie Bermann, French Ambassador to the UK, Alain de Cointet, Minister Counsellor for Economic and Financial Affairs at the French Embassy and more than 120 Chamber members.

*'I am delighted and honoured to accept the position of the Chamber's President and look forward to working with my Deputy President, Stephen Burgin and our Board of Directors to continue our mission to successfully connect and develop French and British business. We have a vital and increasing role to play in supporting future business growth and I believe the Chamber can be a catalyst for those looking to develop their business networks.'* said Estelle Brachlianoff.

A graduate of both Polytechnique and Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées, Estelle worked initially in the French public sector on the finance, design and delivery of major transport infrastructure before joining resource management leader, Veolia in 2005. Since then, she has risen very quickly to become Executive Vice-President of Veolia UK & Ireland, overseeing water, waste and energy activities and directly in charge of a workforce of 14,000 employees.

Stephen Burgin began his career with GEC and rose through the ranks at GEC, ABB, Alstom (later Areva) T&D before rejoining Alstom in 2008 as Country President and Head of Alstom Power UK. In 2013, he took the role of Vice President of Europe for Alstom Power, overseeing the company's sales and marketing across the European region.

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### **About the French Chamber of Great Britain**

The French Chamber of Great Britain is the largest foreign Chamber in the UK in terms of both turnover and range of services offered. Our main aims are to provide a platform of exchange and networking at the service of the Franco-British firms in the UK, to promote our 600 members' interests to key decision makers and to help develop economic and commercial relations between France and the UK. Our Business Consultancy and Business set-up departments provide both British and French companies with a large range of bespoke professional services.