

# Barry Callebaut names Unilever Foods head as new CEO

ZURICH: Switzerland's Barry Callebaut, the world's top chocolate maker, on Wednesday said Unilever Foods boss Antoine de Saint-Affrique would take over as its new chief executive in October...



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The Frenchman will succeed Juergen Steinemann, who has headed the firm since 2009, on 1 October, the company said.

Steinemann had announced last year that he would step down, citing family reasons.

He will however remain vice-president of Barry Callebaut's board, a post he was elected to in December.

"With Antoine de Saint-Affrique, the board has appointed a new CEO with an impressive track record in the food industry," a statement said.

Born in 1964, Saint-Affrique has held a series of top jobs in the sector. Apart from being Unilever Foods head, he is also a non-executive director of Essilor, a leading lens-maker.

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