



Syz Bank appoints Nicolas Syz as CEO, marking a new generation of leadership

Geneva, 19 January 2026 – Syz Bank, the independent, family-owned Swiss private bank, today announces the appointment of Nicolas Syz as Chief Executive Officer (CEO), effective 1 February 2026.

His appointment marks a pivotal moment in the evolution of the Bank, bringing in a new generation of leadership that reinforces its long-term commitment to entrepreneurial thinking, client-centric innovation, and the preservation of its distinctive family-driven identity.

This leadership transition comes as the Syz Group celebrates its 30th anniversary; three decades of forward momentum defined by a heritage of independence and a relentless drive to innovate. Founded by a family that has helped shape Switzerland's economic landscape for centuries, Syz Bank combines Swiss solidity with boutique bank agility, delivering wealth management solutions focused on clients' long-term needs.

During his nine-year career at Syz Bank, spanning roles from business development to leading Wealth Management, Nicolas has demonstrated strong leadership and a proven ability to foster enduring client relationships. His appointment underscores the Group's strategy to build the next chapter of growth on the foundations of its entrepreneurial heritage and modern, bold innovation. With Nicolas taking on the role of CEO, Philippe Turrian will assume sole responsibility of Wealth Management, ensuring continuity in leadership and an unwavering focus on delivering exceptional client outcomes.

Commenting on the appointment Syz Group CEO, Eric Syz said:

"As a member of the next generation, Nicolas is uniquely positioned to lead the Bank through the great intergenerational wealth transfer. He will guide the Bank with the values that have defined us for 30 years; agility, integrity, and an alignment of interest with our clients, while empowering our teams to deliver innovation and to challenge the status quo. I would also like to thank the outgoing CEO, Yvan Gaillard, for guiding the bank through a successful and evolutionary period in its history – we wish him well in the future."



Nicolas Syz stated:

"I believe in leading through proximity, staying close to our clients and to our teams. Private banking is built on trust, and trust cannot be established at a distance. I will continue to meet personally with our clients, entrepreneurs, families and independent asset managers. Our ambition is clear: to be the Swiss private bank of choice. We will achieve this by focusing on what matters most to our clients and providing solutions that support their long-term goals, in a bank where family ownership and client interests are fully aligned."

Pioneering investment democratisation

Over the past three decades, Syz has never stood still. It has been recognised for consistently providing pioneering solutions across hedge funds, private markets, and litigation assets, as well as the custody and trading of crypto assets.

Eric Syz added, *"For our banking clients, this translates into personalised advice, access to unique investment opportunities, and a long-term partnership built on trust. Entering our fourth decade, we remain committed to wealth management with human care, combining bold innovation with timeless family values and bringing the personal back to private banking."*

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About Syz Group

Celebrating its 30th anniversary in 2026, Syz Group is a family-owned and run Swiss banking group that combines Swiss banking stability, boutique agility and pioneering investments to empower clients' wealth. With a focus on wealth and asset management, the Group offers personalised services and investment opportunities through three entities: Syz Bank, Syz Capital and Syz Asset Management. Syz Bank offers private clients and external asset managers a genuine alternative to traditional Swiss private banking. Syz Capital provides clients access to a wide range of alternative asset classes, including private equity, hedge funds and legal assets, and enables them to invest alongside the founding family. Syz Asset Management assists Swiss institutional investors in investing in bonds and money market instruments. Headquartered in Geneva, the Group operates in Zurich, Pfäffikon, Lugano, Locarno, Istanbul and Johannesburg.

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