



Avnet Names Ginnie Henkels and Helmut Gassel to its Board of Directors

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PHOENIX--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 15, 2024-- [Avnet](#) (Nasdaq: [AVT](#)) has appointed Virginia "Ginnie" Henkels and Helmut Gassel to its Board of Directors, effective immediately. Both will initially serve on Avnet's Audit Committee.

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Ginnie Henkels joins Avnet Board of Directors (Photo: Business Wire)

previously served as CFO at Swift Transportation for nine years (2008 to 2017) and held various finance and accounting positions throughout her 34-year career with Swift and Honeywell International. Since 2017, Ms. Henkels has served on the boards of LCI Industries and Viad Corporation.

"Ginnie has a proven track record of strong leadership, and she deepens our Board's financial expertise," said Rodney C. Adkins, Chair of the Avnet Board. "We look forward to her added guidance as Avnet continues to prudently manage its finances and operations in all economic cycles."

She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Arizona and a Master of Business Administration degree from Arizona State University.

Dr. Gassel has been a leader in the semiconductor industry for nearly 30 years. He currently serves on the Board of Nordic Semiconductor, and he is a Co-Founder and Partner of Silian Partners, an advisory group of industry senior executives. He previously served in a series of leadership roles of increasing responsibility at Infineon Technologies, including Management Board member and Chief Marketing Officer (from 2016 to 2022) and as a Division President (from 2008 to 2016).

"Helmut has a deep understanding of our industry, including its technology trends, customers, and suppliers," said Adkins. "Our Board is delighted to welcome a seasoned semiconductor industry executive as a new Director."

Dr. Gassel holds a Diploma in Nuclear Physics from Ruhr University Bochum and a Doctorate in Electrical Engineering from the University of Duisburg-Essen.

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