

## CEO ANNOUNCEMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## **GIM Robotics Appoints Pertti Lukkari As New CEO**

Finnish mobile robotics pioneers put experienced international business director at the helm.

**Espoo, Finland, August 23, 2022**. GIM Robotics announced today that M.Sc. (Tech.) **Pertti Lukkari** has been appointed the new CEO of the company. An experienced business leader, Lukkari will succeed Dr. Tapio Taipalus and assume responsibilities on August 23. After 5 years at GIM Robotics, two years as the CEO, Taipalus decided to look for new challenges.

Previously, Lukkari worked as the JTA Connection's Development Director. Before that he was the CEO of Rakla Oy in Tampere, worked 20 years for Fastems Oy Ab, a manufacturer of factory automation systems, at various manager and director roles and for RUAG Space Finland Oy Ab, which develops and manufactures space electronics products.

Pertti Lukkari has diverse leadership experience in developing international business and products in factory automation, services, and software and electronic products. He has extensive experience in global business, especially in the manufacturing industry in Central Europe.

"After an extensive, and pedantic, recruitment process, it was clear that Lukkari was the right fit," said Dr. Jussi Suomela, Chairman of the Board. "We know he will lead us into a new era of global software licensing business. He has what it takes."

While at JTA Connection, Pertti Lukkari was responsible for developing the company's digital services and accelerating and supporting international growth.

"During the latest phases of his extensive career, Lukkari has been focusing on international sales growth and conducting needed internal paradigm changes," said Suomela. "GIM Robotics is turning its focus on global SW license sales, and we expect Pertti to steer us successfully through the imminent rough times and beyond."

Pertti Lukkari received his M.Sc. (Tech.) from Technical University of Tampere in 1997.

## **About GIM Robotics**

GIM Robotics is a producer of full stack automation software working in all-weather conditions with centimeter-level positioning. proprietary Company's SW stack turns mobile working machines into field & service robots and speeds-up product development, opens new markets and saves resources. For further details, visit www.gimrobotics.fi

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