



Major Career Roles

CEO and CFO, Straumann Group

Regional CEO and CFO, Panalpina

CFO, Hero

Chair and Vice Chair, Calida Group

Senior Adviser, EQT

Chair, Nomura Bank International plc

Other Career Highlights

Chair, Medartis Holding AG

Independent Chair, DKSH

Chair, WS Audiology

Board member, Bühler

Vice Chair, MCH Group AG

Marco Gadola currently serves as Independent Chair of DKSH Holding AG and Chair of Medartis Holding AG, and holds board roles at Bühler Group and AVAG, drawing on his broad commercial, financial, and governance expertise. In addition, Marco is an Operating Partner at Endeavour Vision Ltd and leads his consultancy focused on cultural transformation.

From 2013 to 2019, he held the role of CEO of Straumann Group, during which he more than doubled both revenue and profits and tripled global headcount. His leadership accelerated Straumann's value fivefold, completed successful succession planning, and placed the company at the forefront of digital and clinical innovation in its sector. From 2024 to 2026, he served as Vice Chair of Straumann Holding AG, where he played a pivotal role as Chair of the Human Resources & Compensation Committee and as a member of the Audit & Risk Committee, guiding the Swiss-listed dental implant leader through its next phase of growth and leadership depth.

Before that, he served as CFO & Executive Vice President of Operations (2006-2008), then CFO & Regional CEO Asia Pacific at Panalpina (2008-2012), where he honed his cross-border leadership and operational strategy in a global logistics context.

Earlier, at Hero AG and Hilti, he held senior commercial and finance roles spanning Europe and Asia, and began his career in audit (Sandoz) and corporate finance (Swiss Bank Corporation).

He brings deep cross-sector expertise in:

- Leadership development & executive succession – embedding talent pipelines and decision making depth in fast scale, innovation led environments.
- Industrial tech governance & risk oversight – chairing committees on compensation, audit, and HR in semiconductor, medtech, and industrial firms.
- Global financial & commercial strategy – doubling value through M&A, geographic expansion, and performance transformation.
- Cultural change & coaching – mentoring executive teams through personal, organisational and strategic change.

Marco holds a master's degree in Business Administration and Economics (University of Basel) and has completed executive education at INSEAD, LSE, and IMD.

He is respected for his clarity of thought, empathic leadership, and rigorous stewardship – a mentor for leaders aiming to scale high tech organisations with purpose, governance integrity, and long-term strategic impact.