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# Helios Technologies Announces Retirement of Chief Financial Officer Tricia L. Fulton and Names Sean P. Bagan as Successor

SARASOTA, Fla.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- [Helios Technologies, Inc.](https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20230718395092/en/) (NYSE: HLIO) ("Helios" or the "Company"), a global leader in highly engineered motion control and electronic controls technology for diverse end markets, announced today that Tricia L. Fulton, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, has decided to retire from Helios after serving over 26 years with the Company and the last 17 years as CFO.

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Helios Technologies | Sean P. Bagan (Photo: Business Wire)

"On behalf of the Board and entire Company, I want to

congratulate Tricia on her retirement and express our sincere gratitude for her significant contributions to our success," said President and Chief Executive Officer Josef Matosevic. "Before I joined Helios, Tricia navigated the Company back from a challenging time in 2020. Her knowledge and expertise of our businesses combined with her steadfast leadership and contributions have been invaluable to Helios. We wish her all the best in her next chapter of life."

Following Helios' earnings call on August 8<sup>th</sup>, Sean P. Bagan, Vice President, Finance – Business Unit CFO for International & Shared Services at Polaris (NYSE: PII), will succeed Fulton as CFO and become a member of Helios' executive leadership team on August 9<sup>th</sup>.

Bagan joins Helios after spending 23 years at Polaris Inc., a global leader in powersports and off-road innovation. With extensive financial management leadership experience, Bagan brings more than 20 years of international business, strategic financial operations, and leadership experience. His responsibilities scaled with Polaris over the decades in operational finance, international sales, product segments, acquisitions and corporate finance and treasury. In addition to financial management positions, his roles included general management and operational oversight for U.S. and global businesses. He earned his B.A. double major in Accounting and Management from St. John's University in Minnesota and began his career with Arthur Andersen, LLP. Bagan also holds a General Management Certificate from Cambridge University's Judge Business School in England, along with a Certified Public Accountant (Inactive) Certificate from the state of Minnesota.

"We are looking forward to having Sean join us," said Matosevic. "He has a proven track

record of building, growing, and transforming businesses, both in the U.S. and internationally, into highly productive and profitable operations. These are exciting times at Helios, and we expect Sean's experience to bring further depth and dimension to our team as we execute on our strategy to drive accelerated growth while delivering best in class margins."

To ensure a smooth and effective transition, Fulton will continue at Helios in an advisory position for a period of one year.

"As I bid farewell after an incredible journey with, first, Sun Hydraulics and now Helios, I am overwhelmed with a sense of deep gratitude for each member of Helios past and present. I have no doubt the collective efforts of the Helios team will continue to propel the success of the company far into the future," Ms. Fulton added.

### **About Helios Technologies**

Helios Technologies is a global leader in highly engineered motion control and electronic controls technology for diverse end markets, including construction, material handling, agriculture, energy, recreational vehicles, marine and health and wellness. Helios sells its products to customers in over 90 countries around the world. Its strategy for growth is to be the leading provider in niche markets, with premier products and solutions through innovative product development and acquisition. The Company has paid a cash dividend to its shareholders every quarter since becoming a public company in 1997. For more information please visit: [www.heliotechnologies.com](http://www.heliotechnologies.com) and follow us on [LinkedIn](#).

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