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Nilesh Shah joins Illumina as Head of Region, AMEA

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Illumina Inc., a global leader in DNA sequencing and array-based technologies, announced the appointment of Nilesh Shah as Head of Region, AMEA (Asia Pacific, Middle East and Africa), effective immediately.

Shah brings over 25 years of leadership experience in the medical technology and life sciences industries, having held senior roles at Johnson & Johnson, GE Healthcare and most recently, West Pharmaceutical Services. At West, he served as Vice President & General Manager, Emerging Markets, where he led commercial, operational, and manufacturing strategies spanning Asia-Pacific and Latin America. During his tenure, he drove regional transformation, enhanced customer engagement, and delivered strong growth through a more aligned and agile operating model.

"Genomics and multi-omics are rapidly transforming precision medicine and reshaping healthcare across every stage of life," Nilesh stated. "I am honored to join Illumina as Head of AMEA. Together, we will work with our customers, partners, and the entire ecosystem to harness the full potential of these technologies – not just advancing regional health outcomes, but improving health for communities worldwide."

Shah will be based in Singapore. He succeeds Bas Verhoef, interim Head of Region, AMEA. Verhoef will continue to serve as Head of Region for Europe.