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N26 Strengthens Management Team with two senior appointments

- Aytac Aydin will join the company as Chief Operating Officer and Managing Director of N26 SE and N26 Bank SE from Oldenburgische Landesbank
- Daniel Lappas, current Chief Business Officer of N26, will take on the redefined role of Chief Product and Business Officer
- Country General Managers for its core European markets will now report directly into the CEO
- All appointments and changes will be effective as of 15 July 2026

Berlin, 20 May 2026 – N26 today announced two strategic executive appointments that will further strengthen our foundations and drive our long-term strategic goals. The appointments strengthen N26's leadership team as it continues to build Europe's leading digital bank.

With these appointments, N26 is also evolving reporting structures to further drive innovation while supporting a scalable banking experience for millions of customers across its 24 markets.

Aytac Aydin will join N26 as Chief Operating Officer and Managing Director of N26 SE and N26 Bank SE from Oldenburgische Landesbank (OLB), where he most recently served as Chief Operating Officer and Head of Retail and SME Banking, playing a key role in the company's recent sale. With decades of experience in banking and the capital markets, Aytac has led large-scale digital transformation initiatives in an international setting, and will bring deep operational and technological expertise to N26's leadership team. In his new role, he will oversee the company's Technology, Operations, and Legal functions, with a focus on strengthening resilient and scalable infrastructure to support N26's continued growth. His appointment remains subject to regulatory approval by BaFin.

Separately, Daniel Lappas will take on a new role as the digital bank's Chief Product and Business Officer. Daniel joined N26 in 2022 as General Manager for DACH and Northern Europe, and was appointed as Chief Business Officer in 2026, playing a key role in shaping N26's commercial strategy and growth trajectory. His expanded mandate now includes responsibility for the Product division, unifying N26's business strategy and product development under a single umbrella. The move is designed to further strengthen the alignment between customer needs, product innovation, and commercial growth as N26 continues to broaden its digital banking offering.

Alongside these senior appointments, N26 is changing its local market reporting lines to give its core European growth engines greater representation at the highest level of management. With this, the Country General Managers for Spain,

Italy, and France will report directly to Chief Executive Officer Mike Dargan. This streamlined setup is designed to ensure the bank's core markets receive direct leadership support to drive N26's strategy.

Mike Dargan, Chief Executive Officer of N26 said, "Aytac and Daniel are exceptional leaders who each bring deep expertise and a strong track record of execution at a pivotal moment for N26, where we increase our focus on strengthening our position in our core markets. Aytac's experience leading complex operational and technological transformations in the banking sector will be invaluable as we continue to scale our platform and strengthen our infrastructure. Daniel has already played a critical role in sharpening our commercial focus, and his expanded responsibilities will ensure even closer alignment between our product innovation and business strategy."

Andreas Dombret, Chairman of the N26 Supervisory Board added, "Aytac Aydin brings deep operational and banking expertise as well as extensive experience leading transformation at scale. The Supervisory Board is confident in his leadership and supports the strategic expansion in Daniel Lappas' role to unite N26's product and business divisions. Together, these appointments will further strengthen N26's operational resilience and support the company's long-term ambitions."

All appointments and changes are effective 15 July 2026, representing an important step as N26 continues its evolution as one of Europe's most established digital banks. For more information on N26's leadership team, click [here](#).

About N26

N26 is a leading European digital bank operating with a German banking license. Built on a foundation of technology, transparency and trust, the company provides simple, secure, and digital-native banking to millions of customers across 24 markets. Headquartered in Berlin with a strategic presence in major European hubs including Vienna, Paris, Milan, Madrid and Barcelona, the company is powered by a diverse 1,600-strong team representing over 90 nationalities. The company is committed to empowering its customers with financial confidence and control, delivering a best-in-class banking experience designed for the modern era.

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