

René Buehlmann Chief Executive Officer - Asia Pacific abrdn

René leads our business across Asia Pacific and joined the company in March 2021. He has deep experience of leadership roles in global financial markets, including in corporate banking, wealth and asset management.

Before his appointment, René spent 29 years at UBS. Between 2014 and 2019 he was Head of Asset Management Asia Pacific and part of the regional UBS Group Executive Committee. He was responsible for managing and developing the business across segments and distribution channels, as well as ensuring engagement with clients, regulators, industry bodies and key stakeholders. In addition, he was managing and developing the global Wholesale business strategy.

He moved to Asia in 2005 to support UBS Wealth Management's expansion in the region, heading a number of leadership roles – including Global Head of Investment Funds and Head of Investment Products & Services Hong Kong. In addition to his experience in Asia, he also spent four years in New York as Head of Lending Products Americas before taking on the functional responsibility for UBS Wealth Management's lending products across all of its global locations out of Zurich.

René graduated from the TRIUM Global Executive MBA program issued by New York University, London School of Economics and HEC Paris. He is a Swiss-certified banking expert with Federal Diploma.