

ABB LTD  
Form 6-K  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**Form 6-K**

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**For the month of November 2013**

**Commission File Number 001-16429**

**ABB Ltd**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**P.O. Box 1831, Affolternstrasse 44, CH-8050, Zurich, Switzerland**

(Address of principal executive office)

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This Form 6-K consists of the following:

1. Press release issued by ABB Ltd dated November 18, 2013.

## Press Release

# ABB appoints Claudio Facchin, ABB's head of North Asia, as Executive Committee Member responsible for Power Systems

### **Globally experienced ABB systems business leader takes helm of division in December**

Zurich, Switzerland, Nov. 18, 2013 ABB, the leading power and automation technology group, has appointed Claudio Facchin as Executive Committee member responsible for the Power Systems division, effective Dec. 1, 2013. He succeeds Brice Koch, who will leave ABB on Jan. 15, 2014 after an orderly transition, as previously announced.

For the past four years, Facchin has led ABB's business activities in the major markets China, Japan and South Korea as Chairman and President, North Asia. During this time, he delivered solid profitable growth by penetrating existing and new customer segments, and developing products tailored to local market needs. He has been instrumental in successfully growing ABB's service business and leading collaboration across ABB's entire portfolio in this important growth region. A successor for his role in Asia will be announced in due course.

Prior to moving to China in 2010, Facchin led the global Substations systems business unit in the Power Systems division from 2004 to 2009, and the global service unit in the power business from 2002 to 2004. Facchin, an Italian national, joined ABB in 1995 in Italy, where he held management roles in sales, project management and service for the power business.

Claudio is an experienced leader with an impressive global track record, and a true team player, said Chief Executive Officer Ulrich Spiesshofer. In his roles in Asia and the global Substations systems business, he has demonstrated his ability to drive profitable growth building on collaboration and strong relationships with customers, while successfully executing many large-scale power projects. With these skills and his proven intercultural sensitivity, he is well placed to take over the Power Systems business.

Facchin graduated in industrial engineering from the Politecnico di Milano, Italy, in 1989. From 1990 to 1994, he worked in France for Trane Co. and then Valeo SA, holding various positions in operations as well as in marketing and sales.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

**ABB LTD**

Date: November 18, 2013

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