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APPOINTEMENTS WITHIN COVERAGE AND INVESTMENT BANKING DIVISION OF SOCIETE GENERALE CORPORATE & INVESTMENT BANKING IN ITALY

Societe Generale Corporate and Investment Banking (SG CIB) announces the following appointments within its Coverage and Investment Banking Division in Italy as of February 2015:

Diego Collaro has been appointed Head of Corporate Finance in Italy. Based in Milan, he reports globally to Sylvain Mégarbané, Global Head of Corporate Finance, and locally to Patrizia Micucci, Head of Coverage & Investment Banking Italy and SG CIB Chief Country Officer. In addition to this new responsibility, Diego will continue to head the Equity Capital Market activities in Italy.

Furthermore, within the same department, **Matteo Zenari** has been appointed Deputy Head of Corporate Finance for Italy, a newly created position, and he will be responsible for M&A activities. Based in Milan, Matteo will report to Diego Collaro and Patrizia Micucci.

The Corporate Finance department offers a comprehensive range of advisory and capital raising services in both local and cross-border executions. This department aims to support clients on all of their investment banking needs from strategic advisory, mergers & acquisitions, equity capital markets and structured equity transactions.

Marco Belletti has been appointed Head of Financial Sponsor Coverage Italy, in addition to his current main role as Senior Banker in charge of Italian Corporates, Family Offices and Holdings. Furthermore, Marco will remain in charge of Luxury and Fashion within Consumer, Retail and Luxury Group Corporate Finance. In his new role Marco will report to Scott Phillips, Global Head of Financial Sponsor Coverage, while locally will continue to report to Patrizia Micucci..

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Biographies

Diego Collaro

Prior to joining the Italian ECM department of Societe Generale in 2008, Diego worked in the Equity Origination division of Banca Intesa, then moved to the Investment Banking department of Banca IMI and finally joined the Italian Investment Banking team of CITI. Diego has gained more than 15 years experience in the ECM and corporate finance area, working on more than 50 successful transactions for large and midcap clients raising equity in excess of 50 Bn Euro

Matteo Zenari

Matteo Zenari joined SG CIB in 2007 as Vice President in M&A in Italy. Before joining Societe Generale, Matteo was at Interbanca (ABN AMRO Group) in Italy in the M&A team from 2003 to 2007, after having started his career at Rasini Group Inc., a FoF Hedge manager specialized in merger arbitrage strategy in New York

Marco Belletti

Marco Belletti joined Societe Generale in 2007 as Managing Director and Head of M&A Italy. From 2010 to 2013 he has been heading the Consumer, Retail and Luxury Group within Corporate Finance in Paris. Since 2014 he has been appointed Senior Banker in charge of Italian Corporates, Family Offices and Holdings. Before joining Société Générale, Marco was Head of M&A at Interbanca (ABN AMRO Group) in Italy from 2003 to 2007, after having started his career at Sopaf Corporate Finance.

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