

PRESS RELEASE

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BRIAN THOM JOINS SOCIETE GENERALE AS HEAD OF CORPORATE FINANCE FOR THE AMERICAS

Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking (SG CIB) announced today that Brian Thom has joined the bank as Head of Corporate Finance for the Americas. In this role he will be responsible for leading the bank's efforts in Mergers & Acquisitions and Equity Capital Markets in the Americas region.

Mr. Thom is based in New York and reports to Global Head of Corporate Finance **Thierry d'Argent**, to the Head of Global Finance and Investment Banking for the Americas **Jean-Francois Despoux** and to the Head of Corporate Client Coverage & Investment Banking for the Americas **Paul Dalle-Molle**.

Societe Generale in the U.S. offers fully integrated global markets, global finance, and investment banking services as well as alternative asset management via its Lyxor U.S. subsidiary. In addition, Societe Generale recently fully acquired Newedge, a top multi-asset brokerage with a significant U.S. presence and among the top future commission merchants globally.

Notes to editors

Biography

Mr. Thom has over 20 years of experience in the investment banking business focusing primarily on mergers and acquisitions within the natural resources sector. He joins SG CIB from FBR & Co. where he was a Managing Director in the Energy and Natural Resources Group as well as Chairman of the M&A Subcommittee and a member of the Fairness Opinion Committee. Prior to FBR & Co., he worked in the Mergers & Acquisitions Group at JPMorgan Chase for over 10 years and had responsibility for delivering the M&A product to the firm's oilfield services and metals & mining sector clients. Over the course of his career, he has worked on over 50 completed transactions, including M&A transactions with an aggregate value in excess of \$150 billion.

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Societe Generale has been playing a vital role in the economy for 150 years. With more than 148,000 employees, based in 76 countries, we accompany 32 million clients throughout the world on a daily basis. Societe Generale's teams offer advice and services to individual, corporate and institutional customers in three core businesses:

- **Retail banking in France** with the Societe Generale branch network, Credit du Nord and Boursorama, offering a comprehensive range of multichannel financial services on the leading edge of digital innovation;
- **International retail banking, financial services and insurance** with a presence in emerging economies and leading specialised businesses;
- **Corporate and investment banking, private banking, asset management and securities services**, with recognised expertise, top international rankings and integrated solutions.

Societe Generale is included in the main socially responsible investment indices: Dow Jones Sustainability Index (Europe), FSTE4Good (Global and Europe), Euronext Vigeo (Global, Europe, Eurozone and France), ESI Excellence (Europe) from Ethibel and 5 of the STOXX ESG Leaders indices.

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Societe Generale: 150 years

In 2014, Societe Generale Group celebrates its 150th anniversary with a focus on entrepreneurial spirit, innovation and team spirit. Founded by a group of industrialists and financiers, the bank's very name illustrated their ambition: "Société Générale pour favoriser le développement du commerce et de l'industrie en France" ("**Societe Generale to support the development of trade and industry in France**"), as written into the Imperial decree signed by Napoléon III on 4 May 1864.

Societe Generale has always served economic development, contributing to the financing of infrastructures that symbolised the modern world and of leading French groups. Societe Generale was among the first French banks to open branches in London and in Russia in the 1870s, before expanding into the Maghreb, New York and Africa and to set up operations in Central European countries.

Societe Generale has always been at the cutting edge of financial innovation, and takes strength from its origins to assert its banking vision for the future, reinvent its businesses to serve its clients and become the reference bank of the 21st century.