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### **SOCIETE GENERALE CORPORATE & INVESTMENT BANKING ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS**

Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking (SG CIB) announces the appointment of Frederic Surdon as Head of Asset Finance effective immediately. This new department includes Export Finance, the Aviation, Real Estate and Shipping Finance teams as well as the Structured Solutions and Leasing teams. Based in Paris, Frederic Surdon reports to Pierre Palmieri, Head of the Global Finance division.

Hacina Py is appointed Global Head of Export Finance, replacing Frederic Surdon. In this new role, she will continue to develop the Export Finance business which was awarded "Best Export Finance Bank" by Trade Export Magazine in the Best in Class Awards 2015.

In addition, Nigel Ball is appointed Global Head of Leveraged Buy Outs (LBO), having previously been Head of Strategic Acquisition Finance for the UK. Alexandre Huet will manage this business in the UK on an interim basis, in addition to his role as Global Head of Strategic Acquisition Finance.

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#### **Biographies**

**Frederic Surdon** was previously Global Head of Export Finance since 2013. He joined the real estate department of Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking in 1995 where he was involved in various structured financing and advisory transactions. In 2000, he moved to the Asset-based Structured Finance team to arrange tailor-made big ticket leasing transactions. In 2004, Frederic became Deputy Head for Continental Europe, then in 2006 Head for Continental Europe and the US of Asset-based Structured Finance. From 2008 to 2013, he was Chief Operating Officer of the Global Finance division. Frederic holds a Master Degree in Civil Engineering and graduated from ESSEC.

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**Hacina Py** was previously Head of the Scarce Resources team for the Global Finance and Coverage and Investment banking divisions since 2012. She joined Societe Generale in 1995 as a credit risk officer and has held various positions both in commercial and transversal roles, in Paris and abroad in the Global Finance division. She joined the shipping finance team in 1998, then moved to Brussels in real estate finance in 2002, before transferring to Madrid in the asset based team. Back in Paris in 2007, she was appointed Deputy Head of the Asset Based Finance team and then took the lead of the Exposure Monitoring team in 2009. Hacina graduated from the EM Strasbourg business school and studied finance at Heriot Watt University, Edinburgh.

**Nigel Ball** was previously Head of Strategic Acquisition Finance for Northern Europe and CEEMEA since June 2012. He joined Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking in January 2003 as Director in the London Leveraged Finance team. Prior to joining Societe Generale, Nigel Ball was a Director and Senior Originator at Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein where he held responsibility for originating and executing European LBOs. Before this he was with HSBC Investment Bank and Midland Bank, working mostly in leveraged and acquisition finance. From 2005 to 2012 Nigel was Head of Leveraged Finance in London covering the UK, Scandinavia and the Netherlands. Nigel has a BA (hons) in Economics from Newcastle University, and is an associate of the Chartered Institute of Bankers.

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