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SOCIETE GENERALE CORPORATE & INVESTMENT BANKING STRENGTHENS ITS EQUITY PLATFORM IN GERMANY

Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking (SG CIB) continues to invest in its platform in Germany.

Kirsten Kistermann-Christophe has been appointed to a newly created role as Managing Director Equity Advisory, effective January 1, 2015. She will be responsible for building up Corporate Broking for SG CIB in Germany and will liaise between Equity Capital Markets and the clients with respect to all stock market related topics.

Based in Frankfurt, Kirsten will report to Guido Zoeller, Group Country Head for Germany and Austria. She joins the bank from Bank of America Merrill Lynch, where she was Managing Director and Head of Corporate Broking for Germany, Austria & Switzerland.

Markus Wott has been appointed as Director Strategic Transactions Group Germany and Austria, effective January 1, 2015. He will be responsible for Strategic Equity Transactions and Corporate Equity Derivatives.

Based in Frankfurt, Markus will report to Olivier Buttier, Deputy Global Head of Corporate Finance and Global Head of Strategic Transaction Group, and to Guido Zoeller, Group Country Head for Germany and Austria. Previously Markus worked in the same field of expertise at Mediobanca S.p.A in London.

These appointments will further contribute to the development of SG CIB's equity advisory capabilities in Germany and Austria and will enhance the solutions offered to clients.

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Kirsten Kistermann-Christophe

Before joining Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking in January 2015, Kirsten Kistermann-Christophe has gained more than 25 years experience in banking in several positions. In her last position she worked as a Managing Director and Head of Corporate Broking at Bank of America Merrill Lynch, a position she held as a director since 2005. From 2001 to 2005, she worked at CA Cheuvreux, latterly as Head of Sales Continental Europe. Prior to that, she was in the Equity Sales division within Deutsche Bank. Kirsten Kistermann-Christophe started her career at Deutsche Bank in 1986.

Markus Wott

Before joining Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking in January 2015, Markus Wott worked as Vice President in the Equity Solutions Group of Mediobanca S.p.A. in London since 2010. Prior to that, he was with Commerzbank in the Alternative Asset Solutions Group, also based in London. Markus started his career in the Equity Solutions Group of Dresdner Kleinwort in London in 2007.

Markus Wott holds a degree in Business Administration of the University of Applied Sciences Schmalkalden.

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