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HSBC appoints Hubert Preschez as Co-Head of Global Banking, France

HSBC has appointed Hubert Preschez as Managing Director and Co-Head of Global Banking in France. Hubert joins from Société Générale CIB where he was a Senior Advisory Banker to some of the largest French corporates as well as the French government. In a career spanning more than 20 years, in London and Paris, Hubert has advised on many large M&A deals involving French companies. Hubert is expected to start his new role in September 2018.

Hubert will work alongside Frédéric Coutant, Co-Head of Global Banking in France and Head of Corporate, Financials and Multinationals Banking (CFMB) for Continental Europe.

Jean Beunardeau, CEO HSBC France, and Robin Phillips, Co-Head of Global Banking HSBC, commented:

“We are delighted that Hubert Preschez is joining HSBC’s Global Banking business in France where he will drive the development of our French business with Frédéric Coutant. Hubert brings extensive M&A as well as Equity Capital Markets experience, which will be of significant benefit to our French clients and international clients with operations or an interest in France.”

Professional careers

Hubert Preschez:

After graduating from Paris-V University and Sciences-Po Paris with a law degree, where he has also been a university lecturer for more than 10 years, Hubert Preschez began his career in 1997 in Paribas’ M&A team before joining the M&A department of JP Morgan in 2000 in London and then in Paris. In 2010, he joined Société Générale CIB as Managing Director M&A for France. In 2012, he became Head of Corporate Finance overseeing M&A and ECM activities.

In 2015, he was appointed a Senior Advisory Banker at Société Générale CIB in charge of global relationships with a dozen CAC 40 large corporates as well as the relationship with l’Agence des participations de l’État (an agency of the French Republic managing the State's equity holdings).

During his career, Hubert Preschez has advised on more than 100 billion euros of transactions across around 50 deals, notably the merger between Total and ELF, the merger of Gaz de



France and Suez, the merger of Lafarge and Holcim, the acquisition of GE Water by Suez and the takeover of Club Med by Fosun.

Frédéric Coutant:

A graduate from the ISG Management School in Paris, holding a DESS Master's degree in corporate finance and a DECF accountancy diploma, Frédéric Coutant joined HSBC in 2008 as Managing Director, Head of Strategic Financing Advisory, Paris. He was promoted to Head of Global Banking Coverage in March 2012 and assumed his current role as Co-Head of Global Banking, France, in August 2013.

In a career spanning more than 20 years, Frédéric has acquired extensive industry experience, first at Aerospatiale (now Airbus), before roles at Alcatel as Director of the Dealing Room and then Group Treasurer. In 2003, he acted as Group Treasurer/Deputy CFO of Publicis.

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