

## PRESS RELEASE

### LA FRANÇAISE AM LANDS SRI PIONEER TO HEAD ITS EQUITY FUND MANAGEMENT TEAM: THOMAS DHAINAUT

*Paris, 6 September 2022:* La Française AM, the management company of La Française Group, has appointed **Thomas DHAINAUT** as **Head of Equities – Small & Large Caps**, reporting directly to the Chairman and Chief Investment Officer of the management company, Jean-Luc HIVERT.

This comes as part of ongoing efforts on the part of La Française AM to develop its “climate transition” expertise first introduced on its equity range in 2015, before being extended to bonds and diversified products. As at 30 June 2022, more than 97% of the assets under management of sustainable equity funds open to subscription were compliant with “Article 9” of the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation.

Thomas DHAINAUT brings twenty-four years of experience in asset management and stock picking to La Française. He began his career at Banque du Louvre in 1998 as Head of Financial Products Intermediation before moving on to become European Equities Fund Manager at HSBC Private Bank France in 2001. **In 2005, he joined the equity management team of Sycomore Asset Management where he spent fifteen years as Partner and Fund Manager, developing solid expertise in extra-financial analysis and thematic equity strategies relating to ecological and energy transition.** Before joining La Française AM, Thomas was Partner and Fund Manager at Nahua Capital (2020 to 2022).

Thomas DHAINAUT holds a master's degree in finance from ESCP (1996) and has been a member of SFAF since 2002.

Jean-Luc HIVERT, Chairman of La Française AM concluded, *“Extra-financial analysis lies at the heart of La Française AM's fund management philosophy. We have recently restructured our organisation and the recruitment of Thomas marks the last step in this transition towards a more holistic style of management. His mastery of extra-financial analysis, coupled with solid experience in conviction-based management, will strengthen the quality of management we are able to offer our investors and enable us to innovate in terms of thematic investment strategies.”*



## About La Française

Environmental and societal challenges are opportunities to consider the future. Identifying drivers of change and understanding how they will fashion global growth and ultimately influence the long-term performance of financial and real estate assets is at the heart of La Française's mission. The asset manager's forward-looking investment strategy is built upon this conviction.

The group uses its capacity for innovation and its client centric technology to design investment solutions that bridge the gap between performance and sustainability.

Organized around two business lines, financial and real estate assets, La Française serves institutional and retail clients in France and abroad.

La Française manages over 55 billion euros in assets and has operations in Paris, Frankfurt, Hamburg, London, Luxembourg, Madrid, Milan and Seoul. (31/12/2021)

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