

## **La Française Investment Solutions adds to Quantitative Research and Development Team**

**Paris: 23 May 2017 – \$6.4 billion asset manager La Française Investment Solutions (“LFIS”) announces the hire of a senior quantitative analyst, part of a broader recruitment drive to cement LFIS’ existing quantitative asset management capabilities and position the firm for further growth.**

Christian Naumovic has joined the LFIS Quantitative Research and Development team as a senior quantitative analyst. An additional hire is planned in the coming months, which will bring the team to five professionals.

Christian’s career includes many years of experience as a quantitative analyst, most recently with Thomson Reuters and previously with Deutsche Bank and Natixis Asset Management. Christian’s hire is expected to accelerate enhancements to LFIS’ screening, portfolio construction and portfolio optimization models. His work will support LFIS’ range of alternative and dedicated funds, including flagship credit and premia strategies. Christian will be based at LFIS’ headquarters Paris and report to the Head of Quantitative Research and Development, Guillaume Garchery.

**Sofiène Haj-Taieb, CIO of LFIS commented:** “A quantitative approach is an essential part of our DNA at LFIS. We are market-neutral, screening and analyzing the range of instruments and asset classes to find authentic opportunities to secure absolute returns. Our investment and risk management processes are similarly quantitatively-driven, offering our clients a consistent and repeatable roadmap for performance. Christian’s hire significantly strengthens our capacity to provide specialist quantitative capabilities across all areas of our business as we continue our expansion.”

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#### **About La Française Investment Solutions**

Launched in 2013, La Française Investment Solutions has \$6.4 billion of assets under management as of March 31, 2017<sup>(1)</sup>. LFIS’ innovative set-up combines asset management expertise and specialist quantitative capabilities to deliver performing solutions for the long-term. This unique blend of skills underlies a broad range of value-added investments including alternative strategies, thematic funds and tailor-made investment solutions adapted to the needs of today’s institutional investors.

LFIS is part of the French asset manager La Française Group and its entrepreneurial spirit is complemented by the support of La Française Group and its majority shareholder Crédit Mutuel Nord Europe. Over more than 40 years, La Française Group has developed core competencies in third-party asset management, with 559 employees and EUR 60 billion in assets across four core activities: securities, real estate, direct investing and investment solutions (as of December 31, 2016).

(1) Excluding certain assets under management raised during the current year and scheduled to mature intra-year in 2017. The EUR/USD exchange rate used is based on March 31, 2017 Fininfo closing rate i.e. 1 EUR equals 1.06955 USD.

*The figures in this press release are unaudited.*