

Press release

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Frédéric Sebbag is appointed Director in the Astorg Partners team

Astorg Partners, the French independent private equity investment team, specializing in mid-cap LBOs, is pleased to announce the appointment of Frédéric Sebbag as Director, as of January 1st, 2008.

Frédéric Sebbag joined Astorg Partners in 2004 and since then has played a key role in several major investments including OGF and Geoservices. He is currently a board member of these two companies.

Before joining Astorg, Frédéric gained much of his experience from a six-year banking career. From 1998 to 2000, he worked in PAI (the private equity arm of Paribas), and then joined the Strategy and Corporate Development team in charge of strategic acquisitions and partnerships at Paribas group level. From 2001 to 2004, he worked in the Equity Capital Markets team within the Calyon Corporate Finance department.

Frédéric Sebbag, 34 years old, is a graduate of the Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées, the leading French engineering school. He holds a Masters' degree in Banking and Finance from the Sorbonne University, where he taught Finance during five years.

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Picture available upon request



About Astorg Partners

Astorg Partners is an independent fund management company, specializing in French mid-market buyouts with over €1 billion under management. Astorg Partners seeks to partner with successful and entrepreneurial management teams, to acquire businesses - very often family-owned - with attractive growth prospects, which Astorg will support through the provision of experienced governance and adequate capital. Astorg enjoys a distinct entrepreneurial culture, a lean and local decision-making body enhancing its reactivity, and has a true commitment to its partnering management teams.

Although clearly a multi-sector investor, Astorg Partners has developed solid industry expertise in distribution (Sephora, Marc Orian, Un Jour Ailleurs, Picard Surgelés, Frans Bonhomme), healthcare (Sebia, Pasteur-Cerba, Ethypharm), and professional services (Lowendal Group, RLD, CIS, Geoservices, Staci, Webhelp, SCT Telecom, Trescal).

Astorg Partners has closed 57 transactions over the last 17 years, yielding an annual return (IRR) of over 30% on realized investments.

More information on Astorg Partners is available at: www.astorg-partners.com

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