

## PRESS RELEASE

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# SOCIETE GENERALE CORPORATE & INVESTMENT BANKING APPOINTS HEAD OF SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS FOR GLOBAL MARKETS ACTIVITIES

Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking announces the **appointment of Isabelle Millat** as **Head of Sustainable Investment Solutions**, a **newly created position within Global Markets activities**. Based in Paris, Isabelle Millat reports to Marc Saffon, Head of Financial Engineering for Global Markets.

In her new position, Isabelle Millat is responsible for coordinating all sustainable and responsible investment initiatives across asset classes for markets activities in order to further develop the range of solutions offered to investors, leveraging on the bank's strong capabilities in financial engineering.

"At Societe Generale, we have a longstanding commitment to Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance (ESG) practices which applies to all of our activities," comments Frank Drouet, Head of Global Markets. "Given investors' growing appetite for responsible investments, Isabelle's appointment illustrates our willingness to reinforce our efforts in the development of innovative sustainable solutions to address our clients' expectations."

Sustainable investment is rapidly gaining momentum and related managed assets have more than doubled over the past five years according to the Global Sustainable Investment Alliance. Within its markets activities, Societe Generale has a strong track-record in this area and has accelerated its efforts to build up a broad offering which leverages on both the bank's solid investment solution expertise and its award-winning ESG research team\*. The offering of ESG underlyings is available through the bank's proprietary index franchise "Societe Generale Index", and in thematic baskets, which can be accessed via swaps, funds, or structured products.

The cash to derivatives market offering is complementary to the bank's sustainable financing capabilities as illustrated by Societe Generale's pioneering role in Positive Impact Finance\*\* including in renewable energy financing and Green Bonds. In her role, Isabelle will work closely with the financing teams to meet the full range of clients' demands for sustainable investment solutions.

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### **Biography**

Isabelle Millat has more than 10 years of experience in the financial markets and derivatives products in particular. She joined the Group in 2006 and has held various roles within markets activities, notably as Chief Operating Officer for the Cross Asset Structured Products activity in New-York. Since 2014, she has been a Financial Product Engineer in charge of developing cross asset investment strategies and index structuring for the Societe Generale Index franchise (SGI). Isabelle started her career in 2001 at Capgemini Consulting.

Isabelle Millat is a graduate of the ESSEC business school in France.

\*Societe Generale CIB ESG Research rankings:

With over 10 years of recognized experience in the ESG area, the team has been ranked #1 for overall SRI/Sustainability research in the 2015 and 2016 Extel Surveys, which includes Corporate Governance, SRI research, Long-term Thematic Research sub-categories.

\*\* "Positive Impact Finance" is the one which verifiably produces a positive impact on one of the 3 pillars of sustainable development - the economy, the society or the environment - whilst ensuring any potential negative impacts have been duly identified and mitigated. Principles for Positive Impact have been launched in Paris early 2017 with UNEP.



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- International retail banking, insurance and financial services to corporates with a presence in developing economies and leading specialised businesses;
- Corporate and investment banking, private banking, asset management and securities services, with recognised expertise, top international rankings and integrated solutions.

Societe Generale is currently included in the main sustainability indices: DJSI (World and Europe), FSTE4Good (World and Europe), Euronext Vigeo (World, Europe and Eurozone), Ethibel Sustainability Index (ESI) Excellence Europe, 4 of the STOXX ESG Leaders Indices, MSCI Low Carbon Leaders Index.

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