

PRESS RELEASE

Paris, 19 September 2017

Societe Generale opens a Representative Office in Kenya

Societe Generale today announces it has received the approval of the Central Bank of Kenya to open a Representative Office in Nairobi, Kenya.

The Bank also announces the appointment of **George Mutua** as Chief Representative Officer in Kenya. Based in Nairobi, George Mutua will be in charge of further developing Societe Generale's franchise in Kenya and in Eastern Africa, a fast-growing region. Societe Generale provides financing services to both corporate and financial institutions including Export Finance, Project & Infrastructure Finance, Debt Capital markets, Trade Finance, Global Market Solutions, M&A/Advisory, Oil & Gas and Mining.

Previously Executive Director & Head of Global Corporate for East Africa at Standard Chartered Bank, George Mutua will play a key role in engaging clients in Kenya with the support of Societe Generale's teams in Paris and in London.

Present on the continent for over 100 years, the Group has developed a deep local expertise and a solid experience in supporting its clients. The bank now operates in 19 countries in Africa and has built a vast, continent-wide network with more than 3 million retail clients, including 150,000 businesses.

With its historical presence and geographical network, Societe Generale is one of the Top 3 international banks in Africa today.

Biography:

George Mutua started his career in 1998 at Merrill Lynch Inc. in Atlanta as a financial consultant. In 2000, he was appointed financial advisor at UBS Financial Inc. before joining Morgan Stanley Inc. in, 2004. He was appointed Business Solutions Consultant at Toshiba Inc. in 2005. He relocated to Kenya in 2008 where he joined Standard Chartered Bank as Director & Senior Relationship Manager before being promoted Executive Director & Head of Global Corporate for East Africa. He joins Societe Generale in 2017 as Chief Representative Officer in Kenya.

George Mutua holds a BBA in General Business and a BA in Economics from Fort Valley State University, GA, USA. He also holds a MBA from Georgia State University, GA, USA.

Press contact

Antoine Lhéritier - +33(0)1 42 13 68 99 – antoine.lheritier@socgen.com -  @SG_presse

Societe Generale

Societe Generale is one of the largest European financial services groups. Based on a diversified universal banking model, the Group combines financial solidity with a strategy of sustainable growth, and aims to be the reference for relationship banking, recognised on its markets, close to clients, chosen for the quality and commitment of its teams.

Societe Generale has been playing a vital role in the economy for 150 years. With more than 145,000 employees, based in 66 countries, we serve on a daily basis 31 million clients throughout the world. Societe Generale's teams offer advice and services to individual, corporate and institutional customers in three core businesses:

- **Retail banking in France** with the Societe Generale branch network, Credit du Nord and Boursorama, offering a comprehensive range of multi-channel financial services at the leading edge of digital innovation;
- **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.

For more information, you can follow us on twitter  @societegenerale or visit our website www.societegenerale.com