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Société Générale becomes the official partner of the *Fédération Française Handisport*

Société Générale and the *Fédération Française Handisport* (FFH – French Federation for Handicapped Sport) signed a 4-year partnership agreement on January 14th, under which the banking group becomes the official partner of this sports federation.

The role of the FFH, which acts on the authority of the French Ministry of Sports, is to promote and organise physical and sporting activities for physically and visually handicapped people in France. It has 23,000 members spread across 530 sports clubs and covers 42 different sporting disciplines.

For Société Générale, this new partnership complements those already concluded with the French rugby, golf and bridge federations, adding a spirit of solidarity to those values shared by the company and the world of sport: team spirit, dynamism and confidence in others.

At the start of this European Year for People with Disabilities, this partnership reinforces the initiatives for the disabled undertaken by the bank, in particular in collaboration with the *Association des Paralysés de France* (French Association for the Disabled).

Société Générale Group

Société Générale is one of the leading banks in the euro zone. The Group employs 80,000 people worldwide in three core businesses:

- Retail Banking: 13.4 million customers in France and abroad;
- Asset Management and Private Banking: with EUR 298 billion in assets under management at the end of 2001, the Group is the 3rd largest euro-zone bank in asset management;
- Corporate and Investment Banking: SG is the 4th largest player in the euro zone by net banking income.

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Fédération Française Handisport

The FFH's work is notably channelled towards initiatives aimed at young people (*Grand Prix des Jeunes, Jeux de l'Avenir*, etc.) and the organisation of major international competitions (European and World Championships, etc.), as well as numerous courses.

The FFH acts through over 500 associations, 25 regional committees and 49 departmental committees.

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