

Press release

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Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking further strengthens strategic dialogue with its clients

Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking further strengthens strategic dialogue with its clients with new senior banker appointments within its Coverage and Investment Banking Division.

In Madrid, Alvaro Corominas is appointed Senior Banker, in charge of the global relationship with Spanish corporates.

In Istanbul, Selma Somer is appointed Senior Banker, in charge of the global relationship for Turkish corporates and financial institutions.

In London, Per Starrsjö is appointed Senior Banker, in charge of the global relationship for Nordic financial institutions (Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden), and certain UK financial institutions.

Biographies

Alvaro Corominas

Alvaro Corominas joined Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking in 1998, as a Senior Relationship Manager, in charge of coverage for the public sector and construction industry. Previously, he spent eight years at HSBC and held different positions within Corporate Banking, Capital Markets, Acquisition Finance and Structured Finance teams. He started his career in 1988 as civil engineer for Dragados.

Alvaro Corominas has a degree in Civil Engineering from Politécnica de Madrid University and holds an MBA in finance by the IESE.

Selma Somer

Selma Somer joined Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking Istanbul in 1992 as Head of the information technology department. In 1996, she set up the export finance activity for the bank in Turkey. She was appointed Head of the local Investment Banking platform in 1998 having launched the M&A business for Societe Generale in Turkey in 2003. In 2009, she became Head of Coverage for Turkey. Before joining Société Générale, Selma Somer held different positions in the IT sector, in particular within Gunay Insaat and Aquitaine Systems Consulting in Paris, where she started her career in 1984.

Selma Somer graduated from UMIST (University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology) and holds an MBA from Bilgi University (Istanbul).

Per Starrsjö joined Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking in 2008 as Managing Director, Relationship Manager of financial institutions for Nordic countries.

Per Starrsö started his career in 1985 with Banque Indosuez in Paris, in the Fixed Income sales team, before becoming a Consultant for Booz Allen & Hamilton in 1987. Then, he joined the Corporate Finance team of Goldman Sachs in London in 1990, and became in 1995 Head of M&A for the Nordic region within Paribas. In 1997, he joined Credit Suisse First Boston in the team dedicated to the Nordic clients. Between 2003 and 2008, he spent 5 years to ABN AMRO, first in charge of the Public sector for the Nordic region, and then in charge of the financial institutions for the same region.

Per Starrsjö graduated from Stockholm School of Economics and holds an MBA from INSEAD.

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