

# ARDIAN

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### PIERRE-ANTOINE GAILLY JOINS ARDIAN AS SENIOR ADVISER TO ARDIAN DIRECT FUNDS

**Paris, February 15<sup>th</sup> 2016:** Ardian, the independent private investment company, today announces the appointment of Pierre-Antoine Gailly as a Senior Adviser to Ardian Direct Funds.

A former Chairman of the Paris Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Mr Gailly has extensive entrepreneurial experience. He will advise the teams on deal origination and investment opportunities, as well as provide support to portfolio companies.

Mr Gailly has held several senior management positions, including CEO of Bon Marché, CEO of Desfossés International in 1995, Deputy CEO of Fininfo, an electronic provider of financial information, in 1996 and Chairman of the Board of the Moulin Rouge in 1998. He is currently Founder and Chairman of Eolienne, a consulting and private equity company, and a member of the Caisse des Dépôts Supervisory Committee.

Dominique Gaillard, Member of the Executive Committee of Ardian and Head of Ardian Direct Funds, said: "Pierre-Antoine Gailly's experience as a business leader will allow us to build our network and our ability to create value for our portfolio companies. We are very happy to welcome him to the company."

Pierre-Antoine Gailly, Senior Adviser at Ardian Direct Funds, added: "I join a very professional and committed team, which maintains a close relationship with the managers of the companies in which it invests. My strategic vision as an entrepreneur matches this approach, and I am delighted to apply this vision in the long term with Ardian."

## ABOUT ARDIAN

Ardian, founded in 1996 and led by Dominique Senequier, is an independent private investment company with assets of US\$55bn managed or advised in Europe, North America and Asia. The company, which is majority-owned by its employees, keeps entrepreneurship at its heart and delivers investment performance to its global investors while fuelling growth in economies across the world. Ardian's investment process embodies three values: excellence, loyalty and entrepreneurship.

Ardian maintains a truly global network, with more than 410 employees working through twelve offices in Paris, London, Frankfurt, Milan, Madrid, Zurich, New York, San Francisco, Beijing, Singapore, Jersey, Luxembourg. The company offers its 470 investors a diversified choice of funds covering the full range of asset classes, with Ardian Fund of Funds (primary, early secondary and secondary), Ardian Private Debt,

Direct Funds (including Ardian Mid Cap Buyout, Ardian Expansion, Ardian Growth and Ardian Co-Investment), Ardian Infrastructure, Ardian Real Estate and made to measure mandates with Ardian Mandates.

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