

#### PRESS RELEASE

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### Thierry Guillemot has joined CFAO Automotive

Thierry Guillemot has joined CFAO as Chief Operating Officer of the sub-Saharan French-speaking West Africa division at CFAO Automotive, the group's automotive dealership business unit. He is also a member of the CFAO Executive Committee.

Thierry Guillemot, aged 48, is a graduate of ESSCA, a leading French business school. He also has an MBA from IMD Lausanne. Thierry Guillemot started out at Renault Trucks, where he contributed to developing the brand in Africa and Australia. In 1992, he moved to Renault's automotive division, in charge of Eastern Europe. He was then appointed Regional Director of Opel for the French market before moving on to Mazda, where he was promoted Managing Director of the brand in France in 2005.

## **About CFAO**

CFAO is the foremost specialized retail brand in its main business areas – vehicle and pharmaceuticals distribution – in Africa and the French Overseas Territories. It is a leading player in these regions in the import and distribution of vehicles and pharmaceutical products, related logistics services, and certain manufacturing operations and technological services. CFAO is present in 34 countries, 31 of which are in Africa and seven in the French Overseas Territories, and had a headcount of 9,278 at end 2010. In 2010, CFAO generated consolidated revenue of €2,676 million and recorded recurring operating income of €223.2 million.

CFAO is listed on NYSE Euronext in Paris and is included in the SBF120 index.

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