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Bertrand THIEBAUT becomes Chief Operating Officer of CFAO Automotive

Bertrand Thiebaut joined CFAO in January 2010. On 24 th of February, he became Deputy Chief Operating Officer of CFAO Automotive, CFAO's division dedicated to automobile distribution. He was in charge of external development projects and strengthening of aftersales management.

Bertrand THIEBAUT, 45, is a graduate of the European Business School. He has spent most of his working life with Ford. In 2000, he transferred to Detroit, to head up Ford Financial Sales and Marketing operations in Europe, Latin America and Asia prior to a transfer to the Automobile Division as Director of Strategy for the Asia-Pacific region. Transferred to Bangkok, Thailand, in 2003, he participated in the development of the Asia-Pacific region as Director of Revenue. In 2006, he was appointed Services Manager in Tokyo for all brands marketed in this area, before directing Jaguar and Land Rover, in the Asia-Pacific region.

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 one of the leading importers and distributors of vehicles, pharmaceutical products and the related logistics services, and a leading provider of certain industrial and technological activities in these regions. CFAO is present in 34 countries, 31 of which are in Africa and seven in the French Overseas Territories, and has 9,400 employees as of end of 2009.

In 2009, CFAO generated total consolidated revenue of €2,582 million and recorded recurring operating income of €211 million. CFAO is listed on NYSE Euronext in Paris and is included in the SBF120 index.

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