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Financière de l'Echiquier strengthens its positions in Germany

- ◆ **Jörg Ahlheid joins Financière de l'Echiquier as Country Manager for Germany and Austria.**
- ◆ **A new office is to open in Frankfurt in order to underpin the company's international development.**

Paris, 8 October 2014 – Financière de l'Echiquier announces the arrival of Jörg Ahlheid as Country Manager for Germany and Austria. This recruitment is to be accompanied by the opening of an office in Frankfurt, underscoring the importance of the region for the company's European growth strategy.

Of German nationality, Jörg Ahlheid is 45 year's old and has more than 20 year's experience in the asset management industry. From 2009, he was responsible for distribution in Germany and Luxemburg at LGT Capital Management, after previously occupying similar positions in a number of asset management companies including Schrodgers and Morgan Stanley IM, and also developed the sales activity at M&G in Europe for six years.

Financière de l'Echiquier took its first steps in Germany in 2007 and currently markets four equities funds and two diversified funds in the country. *"The German market is a genuine source of fresh growth for our company. Establishing our presence in Frankfurt is therefore a vital stage in our development"*, stated Dominique Carrel-Billiard, CEO of Financière de l'Echiquier. *"Under this framework, Jörg's mission will be to strengthen ties with local clients thanks to strong presence on the ground, in order to develop the portfolio under management in Germany and then in Austria in a second stage"*.

Based in Paris since its creation in 1991, Financière de l'Echiquier opened a first international office in Milan in December 2013.

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About Financière de l'Echiquier – www.fin-echiquier.fr

Created in 1991, Financière de l'Echiquier is currently one of the leading independent asset management companies in France, with almost €8.2bn in assets under management and a team of 90 staff. It is wholly owned by its managers and employees. Its business: management of savings and financial investments on behalf of individual clients, wealth management advisors and institutional investors.