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## CHARLES DUPONT JOINS INVESTINDUSTRIAL AS SENIOR PRINCIPAL AND HEAD OF FRENCH COVERAGE

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13<sup>th</sup> December 2021 – Investindustrial’s team of 150 professionals has been strengthened with the recent addition of Charles Dupont as Senior Principal and head of French coverage.

Charles brings more than 20 years of experience, both as a manager of industrial companies and investor, and will be based between Paris and London with the role of leading the Firm’s platform investments and add-ons in France and Belgium. Additionally, Charles has extensive experience in infrastructure, a skill that will be particularly important in private equity transactions with certain infrastructure characteristics.



France and Belgium is an important market for Investindustrial, currently representing 11% of total portfolio sales, and since inception 2 platform investments and 8 add-ons have been made in French companies. 5 companies have been sold to French buyers, generating €1 billion in proceeds, and 11 Investindustrial professionals are French citizens. As an example of Investindustrial’s investment activity in France, in the specialty chemicals sector Benvic is a successful French headquartered portfolio company, and the recently exit Polynt-Reichhold was built up including two significant add-ons originated in France, CCP and PCCR.

Charles is a graduated engineer from École Polytechnique and a graduate from École Nationale d’Administration. He speaks English, French and German. Charles started his career as a manager in Bouygues Construction, and later served as the CEO of Saur International, the international division of the French water utility company. In 2007, he joined Antin Infrastructure as a Partner, and in the last decade he has served as Global Head of Infrastructure Finance at both AXA and Schrodgers.

**Andrea C. Bonomi, Chairman of the Industrial Advisory Board of Investindustrial**, comments: “Charles brings significant experience to Investindustrial with a strong network in France and an ability to support our portfolio companies from the perspective both as an industrial manager and an investor. Charles’ investment experience is predominantly from asset-heavy industries, which share many characteristics with past and current portfolio investments of ours such as Euskaltel, Eutelsat, Gardaland, HTG and PortAventura. With Charles, we share a clear vision of how technology and sustainability will render these sectors and companies more asset light and decarbonised in the future.”

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