

**Appointment of Christophe Vandewiele as the new Chief Representative Officer of Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg Representative Office in Montreal, Canada.**

Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg appoints Christophe Vandewiele as the new Chief Representative Officer of Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg Representative Office in Montreal, Canada.



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Christophe Vandewiele is a seasoned financial services professional with three decades of senior-level experience representing several leading banks, asset managers and insurance companies in Canada, Belgium and Luxembourg.

Prior to joining Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg, Christophe Vandewiele was President of Confidere Inc - "Impact Beyond Frontiers" in Toronto, where he represented foreign investment managers seeking to raise new assets amongst Canadian institutional investors.

Before assuming this role in early 2013, Christophe Vandewiele spent eight years at Candriam (formerly Dexia Asset Management) in a series of increasingly senior roles, including Head of Institutional Sales in Canada in 2008. In this key role, Christophe successfully established a Canadian representative office for the firm and was responsible for managing a team and all business development activities in the Canadian market.

Christophe Vandewiele's extensive experience in the investment industry encompasses both traditional and alternative asset classes. Fluently bilingual (English and French), he is the author of several articles published in the Canadian financial media. He is a sought-after speaker at financial industry events, where he speaks on topics such as socially responsible investing, microfinance, asset management and risk management.

## **About the Representative Office in Montreal, Canada**

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The Degroof Petercam Group has been supporting European investors in the diversification of their assets in Canada since 2014. The Group began by developing a joint venture in the Canadian market in the private equity segment with a Quebec-based partner. This initial experience demonstrated a recurring interest from European clients who are interested in investing in Canada.

In 2018, a second step was taken with the opening of a representative office in Montreal to further promote the Group's identity in Canada. The office acts as a vehicle of information for European investors seeking investment opportunities in Quebec, and who have an interest in diversifying their assets outside the Eurozone. With a local presence in this market, the Group has positioned itself as the privileged partner for its clients who wish to invest in North America, acting as their bridge by being their trusted local contact.

Degroof Petercam's office in Canada is a collaborative organisation that allows for more synergies and services. It is based on four main pillars: 1,500 experts in Europe, a network of trusted partners in Canada, a Canadian private equity team and the representative office in Montreal.

## **About Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg**

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Founded in 1871, Degroof Petercam is a Belgian-rooted reference investment house built on more than 150 years of integrated financial knowledge. Being privately owned by family shareholders driven by long-term commitment, we are independent by structure and by nature. We create responsible prosperity for all by opening doors to opportunities and accompanying our private, corporate and institutional clients with expertise.

Clients in over 20 countries trust us for our convictions and for our distinctive combination of services in private banking, asset management, investment banking (corporate finance and global markets) and asset services. Total client assets (under management, under administration and in custody) amount to 86 billion euros (on 31.12.2021).

More than 1,500 experts are committed to our clients through offices in Belgium, Luxembourg, France, Switzerland, Spain, the Netherlands, Germany, Italy and Hong Kong.

Present in Luxembourg since 1987, Degroof Petercam Luxembourg employs more than 380 people in three entities located in the Cloche d'or region: Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg S.A., Degroof Petercam Asset Services S.A. and Degroof Petercam Insurance Broker S.A.

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