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PRESS RELEASE

Richard Bielle is appointed Chief Operating Officer of CFAO

Alain Viry, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of CFAO announced today the appointment, effective as from 1 March, of Richard Bielle as Chief Operating Officer of CFAO. Alongside Alain Viry, Richard Bielle will lead the eight business units covering the various CFAO lines of business: automotive and pharmaceutical distribution, integration of solutions in new information and communication technologies, industry and trading.

With this appointment, Alain Viry hopes to reinforce CFAO's comparative advantages in a competitive world. He declared that the appointment will thus "boost CFAO's capacity for anticipation and responsiveness in order to consolidate its growth".

The previous Chief Operating Officer, Jean-Yves Mazon, has in turn been appointed Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors, acting as consultant to the Managing Director.

Richard Bielle joined CFAO in 1999, as Development Director and went on to become Secretary-General, Finance in 2002.

He has acted as Managing Director of CFAO Automotive since 2005. As a graduate of the Higher Business School, Paris (ESCP), Richard Bielle kicked off his career in finance before joining Renault Trucks in 1988, where he held various positions within the Finance Department. In 1997, he moved on to ING Barings as Senior Manager in charge of project funding.

About CFAO

A subsidiary of PPR, CFAO is the leader in automotive and pharmaceutical distribution in Africa and French overseas territories. CFAO is also a well-known player in industry and trading with CFAO Industries & Trading and in the distribution of New Information and Communication Technologies (NICT) with CFAO Technologies. Operating in 40 countries with a staff of 10,600, CFAO posted turnover of €2.864 billion in 2008.

Find out more: www.cfaogroup.com

About PPR

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