

Press Release

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The Fonds Stratégique de Participations continues its expansion with a new long-term investment in ELIOR GROUP

The Fonds Stratégique de Participations (FSP) announces its sixth investment with the acquisition of a stake in ELIOR GROUP, a world leader in the food catering industry.

As a long-term investor, the FSP plans to assist ELIOR GROUP with its development and to sit on its Board of Directors.

The FSP is managed by the Edmond de Rothschild Group.

The Fonds Stratégique de Participations is a long-term investor in French companies.

For its sixth investment, the FSP has taken a stake of over 5% in ELIOR GROUP, a long-established French player in the food catering industry. The company uses its proven expertise to create leading positions in its three major business lines—contract catering, concession catering and support services—in Europe and the United States, its key business regions.

This investment underpins the FSP's ability to choose and invest in French companies with long-term growth potential, and aligned with the fund's focus on major structural trends. ELIOR GROUP's commitments and capabilities in terms of quality, healthy and balanced nutrition, and innovation are differentiating features for a company that serves over 5 million guests every day.

The FSP helps companies selected for their financial stability, capacity to innovate and growth potential to implement a long-term strategy. With each investment, this assistance is carried out through the FSP's presence on the Board of Directors or Supervisory Board of the issuer. To that end, the FSP has asked the Board of Directors at ELIOR GROUP to introduce a resolution at its General Assembly on 9 March 2018 nominating the FSP as a director.

The investment in ELIOR GROUP was supported by BNP Paribas Cardif, CNP Assurances, SOGECAP (Société Générale Insurance) and Natixis Assurances.

Since its launch in 2013, the FSP has invested about 1.7 billion euros in stakes of French companies leading in their fields with the support of seven major insurance companies. The FSP is currently a shareholding director of the following six companies: ARKEMA, SEB, ZODIAC AEROSPACE, EUTELSAT COMMUNICATIONS, TIKEHAU CAPITAL and ELIOR GROUP.

About the Fonds Stratégique de Participations

The *Fonds Stratégique de Participations* is a SICAV, or open-ended investment company, which is registered with the French Financial Markets Authority (AMF) and which seeks to promote long-term equity investments by taking strategic stakes in French companies. The FSP's board comprises seven insurance group shareholders.

To date, the FSP has six subfunds, each of which is invested in ARKEMA, SEB, ZODIAC AEROSPACE, EUTELSAT COMMUNICATIONS, TIKEHAU CAPITAL and ELIOR GROUP. The FSP continues to examine other investment opportunities in French companies.

About the Edmond de Rothschild group

An investment house driven by the idea that wealth should be used to build tomorrow's world, Edmond de Rothschild is an independent family-controlled group specialising in Private Banking and Asset Management. In all its activities the Group favours bold strategies and long-term investments rooted in the real economy such as infrastructure development, healthcare, biotechnology and impact investing. Founded in 1953, the Group has been headed since 2015 by Baroness Ariane de Rothschild, who chairs its Executive Committee. At 31 December 2016 the Group had EUR 155 billion (CHF 167 billion) of assets under management and 2,700 employees spread across 27 locations throughout the world. It is also active in Corporate Finance, Private Equity and Institutional and Fund Services.

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