

OOSTVOGELS PFISTER FEYTEN APPOINTS FURTHER PARTNERS

21 January 2008: Oostvogels Pfister Feyten announces senior appointments adding a further boost to its corporate and investment funds practices.

Gérard Maîtrejean who joined the firm in 2002 has been appointed partner within the firm's corporate practice. With over 15 years experience, Gérard specialises in the areas of corporate law, mergers & acquisitions and general business law and mainly advises private equity and international financial groups on a wide array of domestic and international transactions. He has a wealth of experience in advising corporations in relation to their general corporate affairs, joint venture transactions and corporate migrations. Gérard's previous experience includes working as corporate legal adviser within Ernst & Young Luxembourg's financial engineering department where he was responsible for restructurings on behalf of many international groups.

Harold Parize, former Head of Legal & Compliance at HSBC Securities Services Luxembourg has also joined as partner within the firm's investment funds practice. Harold headed the Legal and Compliance teams at HSBC for more than five years and brings over twenty years professional experience. He was previously an independent lawyer running his own consultancy between 1991 and 2001, a period during which he advised a number of Luxembourg banks and financial professionals. In recent years, Harold has played an active role in working committees of professional associations such as The Luxembourg Bankers' Association (ABBL) and The Association of Luxemburg Compliance Officers for the Financial Sector (ALCO).

These follow the recent appointment of Françoise Pfeiffer, former co-head of Loyens Winandy's Banking & Finance team who joined in December 2007 as partner within the firm's Banking & Finance Practice.

Commenting on the new appointments, Stef Oostvogels, Managing Partner, commented:

"Over the past few years, we have been focusing considerably on extending our capabilities and experiences in each of our core practice areas. Our business has been aligned very closely with market developments and these new appointments represent another key element in our strategy to assist a top tier international clientele with a wide range of legal projects".

Gérard, Harold and Françoise are based in the firm's Luxembourg office.

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Notes to Editors

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