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# APPOINTMENT RELEASE

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## Jad Ariss is appointed Head of Public Affairs & Corporate Responsibility of the AXA Group

AXA announces that **Jad Ariss**, currently CEO of AXA Middle East & Africa, has been appointed Group Head of Public Affairs & Corporate Responsibility. This appointment will be effective as of May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. He succeeds **Christian Thimann** who is appointed Senior Advisor to the Chairman and Director of the AXA Research Fund. In this role, Christian Thimann will continue to advance AXA's broader engagements on financial policy issues, including as Chair of the EU High-level Expert Group on Sustainable Finance established by the European Commission, as Vice-Chair of the FSB Task force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures and as Co-chair of the United Nations' Finance initiative hosted by UN Environment (UNEP FI).

Jad Ariss will have responsibility for Regulatory Affairs & Outreach (Patricia Plas), Foresight (Amélie de Montchalin), Corporate Responsibility (Alice Steenland) and the AXA Research Fund (Christian Thimann).

He will report in his new role to George Stansfield, General Secretary and a Member of the Management Committee of the AXA Group.

### Biography

**Jad Ariss** started his career as a management consultant at McKinsey, before joining the AXA Group in 1995 as Chief Financial Officer of AXA Global Risks. In 1999, he became Head of AXA Group Investor Relations, before joining AXA France in 2001 to hold the successive positions of General Secretary, Head of P&C of AXA Entreprises, Human Resources Director, CEO of AXA Entreprises and Deputy CEO of AXA France. In January 2016, he was appointed CEO of AXA Middle East & Africa. Jad is a graduate of the French business school HEC and holds an MBA from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania (USA).

### ABOUT THE AXA GROUP

The AXA Group is a worldwide leader in insurance and asset management, with 166,000 employees serving 107 million clients in 64 countries. In 2016, IFRS revenues amounted to Euro 100.2 billion and IFRS underlying earnings to Euro 5.7 billion. AXA had Euro 1,429 billion assets under management as of December 31, 2016.

The AXA ordinary share is listed on compartment A of Euronext Paris under the ticker symbol CS (ISN FR 0000120628 – Bloomberg: CS FP – Reuters: AXAF.PA). AXA's American Depositary Share is also quoted on the OTC QX platform under the ticker symbol AXAHY.

The AXA Group is included in the main international SRI indexes, such as Dow Jones Sustainability Index (DJSI) and FTSE4GOOD.

It is a founding member of the UN Environment Programme's Finance Initiative (UNEP FI) Principles for Sustainable Insurance and a signatory of the UN Principles for Responsible Investment.

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