

*Press release*

**OLYMPIA CAPITAL INTERNATIONAL BECOMES PART OF THE CACEIS GROUP**

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CACEIS, a leading player in institutional securities services, has completed its acquisition of Olympia Capital International (and its affiliates), the alternative investment fund administration specialist.

Olympia Capital administers some \$70 billion in assets for funds domiciled in Bermuda, the Cayman Islands, the British Virgin Islands, Ireland and the United States. With a staff of 230, Olympia Capital provides high-quality services to clients in the alternative investment fund industry.

CACEIS delivers a comprehensive package of securities services to clients worldwide, from fund administration and custody to securities lending and foreign exchange services. The group administers \$1.3 trillion in assets for its clients through offices across Europe, and has a strong focus on alternative investment products, which it services out of Luxembourg and Ireland.

Olympia Capital activities will remain managed in the US by Barbara Lewnowski, in Bermuda and Canada by Raymond Morrison and in Ireland by John Walley. In the near future, the Irish fund administration activities of Olympia Capital and CACEIS will be merged under conditions yet to be defined.

Mr. Lewnowski, the founder and former owner of Olympia Capital International, stated: "The combination of Olympia Capital's and CACEIS's experience in alternatives, financial strength and quality is in the best interest of our clients. CACEIS's significant experience in providing customised services to the alternative investment community and its financial stability reflected by an impressive AA- rating from Standard and Poor's will enable us to deliver new and innovative services to our clients on a global basis".

François Marion, Chairman of CACEIS, stated: "Alternative investments are the fastest growing division of the fund industry and a strategic priority for CACEIS. We understand that our clients require innovative and reliable services to support their business development plans, which is why we invest significant amounts in information technology and experienced staff. We are excited to add Olympia Capital to our Group and believe its clients will appreciate the benefits of a more comprehensive service offering both in terms of product range and geographic scope. We are proud to welcome them and the staff that support them to CACEIS."

Lazard and Calyon have acted as financial advisers to CACEIS in this transaction. G.C. Andersen Partners, LLC has acted as financial adviser to Olympia Capital International.

## **About Olympia Capital International**

Olympia Capital International is an experienced provider of administration services to the alternative investment fund industry. Since its founding in 1990, Olympia has been dedicated to providing high quality services and providing innovative product structures to clients through its respective offices in Bermuda, Dublin, Halifax, New York and Toronto. Olympia Capital has considerable expertise in administering several alternative asset categories: hedge funds, fund of funds and private equity funds and services a wide range of asset classes, from traditional equity hedge funds to more complex fixed income, multi-strategy, derivatives and commodity funds in both US and offshore structures.

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## **About CACEIS**

CACEIS is a banking group dedicated to asset servicing : depositary and custodial services, fund administration and corporate trust services for institutional and corporate clients. Present in ten countries (France, Luxembourg, Ireland, Germany\*, Belgium, Switzerland, the Netherlands, United States, Canada, Bermuda) and with a total of 3,230 employees, CACEIS is one of the world's front-ranking providers of custodial services with \$2.6 trillion in assets, and is one of the leading European fund administrators with a total of \$1.3 trillion in assets under administration. CACEIS is equally owned by Crédit Agricole S.A. and Natixis  
*(\*subject to standard regulatory approvals for CACEIS Bank Deutschland)*

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