

REYL & CIE ACQUIRES STAKE IN 1875 FINANCE

Geneva, 11 January 2022. The Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA) and the Luxembourg Financial Sector Supervisory Commission (CSSF) have approved REYL & Cie's acquisition of a 40% stake in 1875 Finance Holding ("1875 Finance"). This strategic partnership will enable both companies to increase their combined market share in the independent wealth management segment in Switzerland.

The Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA) and the Luxembourg Financial Sector Supervisory Commission (CSSF) approved the strategic partnership between REYL & Cie, the Swiss diversified banking group held in part since May 2021 by Fideuram - Intesa Sanpaolo Private Banking, and 1875 Finance, a multi-family office and independent asset manager based in Geneva dedicated to private clients, through which REYL & Cie acquires a 40% stake in 1875 Finance.

This partnership will create transversal revenue and development opportunities for both REYL & Cie and 1875 Finance. Both companies intend to play an active role in accelerating the consolidation process of the Swiss independent wealth management sector, offering new growth prospects in the short and medium term.

The transaction enables REYL to strengthen its wealth management activities both in Switzerland and internationally, and to continue to play a meaningful role in the reshaping of the Swiss financial marketplace. It will also reinforce 1875 Finance's position as a leading player in the Swiss multi-custodian independent wealth management segment.

Clients of 1875 Finance will benefit directly from REYL's *Corporate Finance* team, whose expertise notably covers the specialised areas of mergers and acquisitions, structured financing, and equity and debt capital market transactions, as well as art financing.

Co-founders Olivier Bizon, Paul Kohler, Aksel Azrac and Jacques-Antoine Ormond jointly retain control of 60% of 1875 Finance and remain fully committed to its long-term development.

François Reyl, Chief Executive Officer of the REYL Group, states: *"We are very pleased to finalise this strategic partnership with 1875 Finance, a leading player which shares the same entrepreneurial spirit and values, with a first-class team. This transaction shows that banks and independent managers can join forces in innovative partnerships without giving up their business model or management autonomy. We expect to build a lasting business relationship and create powerful synergies between the two entities."*

Paul Kohler, Chief Executive Officer and founding partner of 1875 Finance, together with Olivier Bizon (Chairman), Aksel Azrac and Jacques-Antoine Ormond, added: *"We are delighted to welcome REYL as a new shareholder, as part of an agreement that opens the door to both organic development and acquisitions in Switzerland and abroad. Thanks to this unique partnership, we maintain the open architecture and entrepreneurial business model which is so valued by our clients."*

About the REYL Group
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Founded in 1973, the REYL Group is a diversified and entrepreneurial banking group with offices in Switzerland (Geneva, Zurich, Lugano), Europe (London, Luxembourg, Malta) and the rest of the world (Singapore, Dubai). The REYL Group manages assets in excess of CHF 25 billion and

employs over 400 professionals. In 2021, the REYL Group entered into a strategic partnership with Fideuram - Intesa Sanpaolo, a leading European banking player, pursuant to which Fideuram ISP acquired a 69% stake in the REYL Group.

Developing an innovative approach to banking, the Group serves a clientele of international entrepreneurs and institutional investors through its *Wealth Management, Entrepreneur & Family Office Services, Corporate Finance, Asset Services* and *Asset Management* business lines.

REYL & Cie Ltd is licensed as a bank in Switzerland and performs its activities under the direct control of the independent Swiss Financial Market regulator (FINMA) and the Swiss National Bank (SNB). The REYL Group's subsidiaries are also regulated by the LPCC in Switzerland, the FCA in the UK, the CSSF in Luxembourg, the MFSA in Malta, the MAS in Singapore, the DFSA in Dubai and the SEC in the United States.

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