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## Generali appoints Bruce M. Hodges as Group Head of IT Systems

Trieste – Bruce M. Hodges will join the Generali Group as Group Head of Information Systems effective October 1, 2015.

Hodges will be responsible for Generali's global IT systems and application landscape, with a focus on modernizing the IT Systems that impact clients, distributors and employees on a daily basis. The IT renovation and rationalization program is a key element of the previously announced Generali Group strategy, which is focused on delivering customer service excellence, while effectively leveraging and enhancing Generali Group's significant scale and skills to yield effective and efficient operations.

The **Group COO of Generali, Carsten Schildknecht**, commented: *"We are pleased to welcome Bruce in his new role. We are certain that his state-of-the-art know-how and substantial international financial services experience will be key to accelerate the digital transformation of our business and turn IT into a strategic asset for Generali. His appointment is a step forward in the implementation of the new Group strategy, with IT playing a fundamental role in Generali's ambition to become the leading retail insurer through superior customer experience and outstanding efficiency".*

Canadian-born Hodges has a significant international experience in Financial Services and in particular IT systems, acquired in the Asian, European and North American markets. Before joining Generali, Bruce held senior executive roles at NN Group, Sun Life Financial and Manulife Financial.

Bruce takes over from Massimo Paltrinieri, who has decided to pursue other opportunities outside Generali Group.

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