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INSEAD, ranked #1 "Global MBA programme" by the Financial Times

Wendel congratulates INSEAD for its first place in the Financial Times 'Global MBA Ranking 2016'.

INSEAD is the first and only international business school to have all three MBA programmes ranked #1 in FT's rankings. This impressive rise of three spots from its previous fourth position in 2015 reflects all that is outstanding about the school and what it stands for - its diversity, academic excellence, entrepreneurial culture and extensive global alumni network.

INSEAD's remarkable achievement not only highlights the success of the school's Faculty and Alumni, but is also a result of significant improvement across a large number of parameters considered by the ranking. These include the salaries of its graduates, the percentage increase in salaries post-graduation, among other indicators. INSEAD faculty's prolific and impressive research, along with the placement of its PhD students in top-tier institutions, contributed significantly to this ascension in the rankings.

Wendel and INSEAD, a long-term partnership

Since 1996 Wendel has lent its support to creating a university teaching chair at INSEAD of which Frédéric Lemoine – Chairman of the Executive Board of Wendel - is a Board Member since 2011, to increase awareness by young generations of students of the economic importance of family-owned companies and their special management features. The success of this program led to the establishment of the Wendel International Center for Family Enterprise (WICFE), which is now a global center of excellence in studying and researching family-owned companies. The Center is an international platform for sharing ideas about the best ways to support family-owned companies and the individuals most closely tied to them.

The Wendel International Center for Family Enterprise has developed educational programs not only for members of family-owned companies but also for the key people who are active in them. The Center has also adopted a wider advocacy role by raising awareness and increasing understanding of the importance of family-owned companies as a durable business model. This is because family firms, each with its unique history and character, are not only the most prevalent throughout the world but are also the most successful over the long term. Wendel is represented at the center by Priscilla de Moustier, Member of the Wendel Supervisory Board, and Patrick Tanguy, Managing Director at Wendel.

For more information



Financial calendar

3/31/2016

2015 full-year results / Publication of NAV (pre-market release)

6/1/2016

Shareholders' Meeting / Publication of NAV and trading update (before Shareholders' Meeting)

9/8/2016

H1 2016 earnings / Publication of NAV (pre-market release)

12/1/2016

2016 Investor Day / Publication of NAV and trading update (pre-market release)

About Wendel

Wendel is one of Europe's leading listed investment firms. The Group invests internationally, in companies that are leaders in their field, such as Bureau Veritas, Saint-Gobain, Cromology, Stahl, IHS, Constantia Flexibles and AlliedBarton Security Services. Wendel plays an active role as industry shareholder in these companies. It implements long-term development strategies, which involve boosting growth and margins of companies so as to enhance their leading market positions. Through Oranje-Nassau Développement, which brings together opportunities for investment in growth, diversification and innovation, Wendel is also a shareholder of exceet in Germany, Mecatherm and Parcours in France, Nippon Oil Pump in Japan, Saham Group in Africa and CSP Technologies in the United States.



Wendel is listed on Eurolist by Euronext Paris.

Standard & Poor's ratings: Long-term: Long-term: BBB-, stable outlook – Short-term: A-3 since July 7, 2014. Wendel is the Founding Sponsor of Centre Pompidou-Metz. In recognition of its long-term patronage of the arts, Wendel received the distinction of "Grand Mécène de la Culture" in 2012.



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