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## Appointments Pedro Fontana, CEO of Concession Catering Worldwide Alexandre de Palmas, CEO of Concession Catering in France and Northern Europe

Elior announces the appointments of Pedro Fontana (Spanish national), CEO of Concession Catering Worldwide and Alexandre de Palmas (French national), CEO of Concession Catering in France and Northern Europe.

Pedro Fontana, 63 years old, is an MBA graduate from Harvard. He began his career in the banking sector. He was Chairman of Banca Catalana from 1994 to 1999, and CEO Catalonia for Banco Bilbao Vizcaya until 2009. Pedro Fontana then joined Áreas in 1998, first as a board member and then as Vice-Chairman from 2001. In 2012, he was appointed as Executive Chairman of Áreas.

Pedro Fontana is a member of the executive committee of the Group and reports directly to Philippe Salle, Group Chairman & CEO. His central mission is to develop a global vision of the Group's concession business worldwide that will establish it as the market leader through an ambitious international business development programme.

Alexandre de Palmas, 41 years old, is a graduate from the ENA. He began his career at the Cour des comptes in 2001. Then, he worked as an advisor to the Minister for Youth and Sport, before managing the development of the Casino group. He then served as CEO of the advertiser Clear Channel until 2013, restructuring the company to position it as the French leader in digital advertising. In 2013, he was appointed General Manager at Gallimard-Flammarion to captain the company through the challenge set by digital books.

Reporting to Pedro Fontana, CEO of Concession Catering Worldwide, Alexandre de Palmas main role is to continue the business' profitable growth by winning over new markets both in existing countries and in new Northern European territories.

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### About Elior

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