

GFI Informatique ANNOUNCES THE ACQUISITION OF ARES ASSETS & BUSINESS IN FRANCE AND ALL SHARES OF ARES LUXEMBOURG

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The main benefits of this transaction for GFI Informatique are:

- Consolidation of GFI Informatique's presence in France and Luxembourg
- Acquisition of a complementary, synergistic portfolio of high-quality clients
- Increase in proportion of recurring sales

SCOPE OF THE TRANSACTION

Today, GFI informatique has taken over the business and the assets of Arès SA in France consisting mainly of Arès Application and Infrastructure Services activities in Paris, Orléans, Pau, Lyon, Bordeaux, Lille and Montpellier, as well as all shares of Arès Luxembourg. A workforce of 404 employees in France and 29 in Luxembourg is responsible for this business. Nearly all employees carry out billable activities, as GFI Informatique declined to retain administrative personnel.

Employees will be integrated into GFI Informatique's Application Services and Infrastructure Services activities.

Arès client portfolio notably includes the Paris public hospital system (*Assistance Publique – Hôpitaux de Paris*, AP-HP), the Ministry of Defence, the French civil aviation authority (*Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile –* DGAC), Total, Bayer, Aramice and the European Investment Bank in Luxembourg. A significant share of Arès sales in volume is made with the Public Sector, complementing GFI Informatique's existing activities. The Pension and Retirement related sector, where GFI was not present, also represents a significant and promising activity of Arès. Finally, our Infrastructure branch will consolidate the high value-added activities located in Pau and in Luxembourg.

In 2010, recurring activities accounted for about 40% of around €32m¹ billings in total. The activities taken over are profitable.

A VALUE-ADDED TRANSACTION

The price paid for the acquisition of the French assets and business, as well as the shares of Arès Luxembourg is $\in 2.9 \text{m}^2$.

In 2011, the year in which the acquisition will be integrated (for a 10-month period) in GFI Informatique, the Company estimates that sales generated by the acquired activities should be around €28m. In 2012, sales are expected to exceed €32m, with an operating margin³ of 6% to 8%.

"This acquisition is a doubly important step in implementing our strategic plan", said Vincent Rouaix, GFI Informatique's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "First of all, this is a value-creating transaction that significantly strengthens our activities in France, especially with sectors and clients that previously represented little or no business for us. This transaction is also highly symbolic, because it marks

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¹ Unaudited figures

² Excluding the impact of employee-related liabilities (mostly paid vacations), which will be assumed by GFI Informatique

³ The operating margin corresponds to operating profit on ordinary activities increased by amortisation of purchase price allocation



GFI Informatique's return to external growth in a market that appears to hold much more promise for us".

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About GFI Informatique

GFI is a major player in the IT services sector in Southern Europe with five strategic offerings: Consulting, Application Services, Infrastructure Services, Enterprise Solutions and Software. As part of its industrialisation policy, the Group has 11 skills centres, 2 national design and production services centres and 3 offshore centres.

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