

Axiom Alternative Investments strengthens team with senior hire of Paul Gagey as Portfolio Manager

London – 15 March 2018: Axiom Alternative Investments, the French asset manager with EUR 1.2bn under management and offices in London and Paris, today announces the appointment of Paul Gagey as a Portfolio Manager, responsible for managing Axiom's flagship fund, Axiom Obligataire.

Reinforcing Axiom's management team at a time of strong growth at the company, Paul joins from Aviva Investors where he was Director of High Yield Bond funds and managed several open-ended funds from 2006 to 2017.

Over the past 35 years, Paul has worked at leading financial institutions across Europe, starting his career at Barclays Bank in 1983. Since then, he has held senior positions at Sorema, where he was Chief Investment Officer, at Groupama Asset Management as Head of its Credit Department, and at Caisse des Dépôts (2002-2005) where he managed its French "Wealth Fund", investing in European equities with a long-term view.

A graduate of Columbia University, Paul holds a Master's Degree in Economics and has more than 15 trophies and awards to his name from major institutions, including Agéfi, Morningstar and Citywire. In 2015, he received the Lipper Award for 10 years in European bond management.

David Benamou, Chief Investment Officer at Axiom Alternative Investments, said:

"We are delighted to welcome Paul to our team in Paris. Paul has an excellent track record and unrivalled reputation in our industry, having been rated five stars by Morningstar over six consecutive years. His extensive experience in high-yield portfolio management will be invaluable to Axiom as we continue on our current growth trajectory, as we make best use of his specialist skills within our portfolio management team."

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Axiom Alternative Investments has been created in **2009** and is an independent asset management company that combines the complementary expertise of asset managers and former investment bankers specialising in financing operations.

As a specialist in the financial sector, the company now manages above **€1.2 billion through a range of open-ended funds and mandates covering all instruments issued by European financial institutions** (senior debt, non-preferred senior debt, subordinated debt and equity). The company is regulated by the **AMF, FCA and SEC**.

Axiom Alternative Investments markets its funds to **institutional clients, Private banks, Family Offices and Asset Management Advisors**. The company is based in **Paris and London**.

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