



## **Change in governance at Vergnet SA**

**Jérôme Douat is appointed Chairman of the Executive Board  
Thierry Moulin is appointed member of the Executive Board  
Denis Francillard is appointed Chairman of the Supervisory Board  
Marc Vergnet joins the Supervisory Board**

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Vergnet Group, the French specialist in the design and construction of wind energy generation facilities, drinking water infrastructures and solar energy generation systems, is announcing the appointment of Jérôme Douat to the position of Chairman of Vergnet SA's Executive Board as of 1 December 2012. In this role, Jérôme Douat will head up the entire Vergnet Group. Thierry Moulin, Head of Vergnet Group's central functions, has been appointed a member of Vergnet SA's Executive Board.

Denis Francillard, 57, is a graduate of the École Polytechnique and was Vice President of Strategy in charge of Participations and Development at Areva from 2000 to 2009. He is now an independent financial engineering consultant.

Marc Vergnet, 70, founder of Vergnet Group and a director for the past 23 years, becomes a member of Vergnet SA's Supervisory Board. He will be tasked with a consulting assignment for the new Chairman of the Executive Board.

Jérôme Douat, 47, an École Supérieure d'Électricité (Supélec) engineer, has spent his entire career in the energy industry. After seven years at CGEE Alstom in the construction of hydroelectric plants overseas, primarily in Asia, he joined the sales division at CNIM, a company specialised in energy recovery from waste in France. In 1998, he moved to ETDE, the Energy and Services subsidiary of Bouygues Construction, where he held a range of management positions at African subsidiaries. In 2002, he was appointed Head of sales for Africa, then in 2008 headed up ETDE's international sales division. In early 2012, he joined the general management of 3i Plus, a French photovoltaic solar energy company.

Thierry Moulin, 55, is a graduate of Rouen Business School and began his career as auditor, then held various senior financial positions at industrial groups in France and overseas, notably at chemical group SÜD-CHEMIE. He joined Vergnet Group in September 2012.

Following the implementation of Vergnet Group's new share ownership structure after its refinancing by the SIF (French Strategic Investment Fund), Nass&Wind and Marc Vergnet, and the implementation of this new governance structure, the Group now has the resources to develop its activity and weather a still difficult economic backdrop in 2013, while aiming towards a profitable growth outlook for 2014, particularly in the Group's flagship French overseas departments and territories, and internationally.

## About Vergnet SA

VERGNET SA was founded in 1988 by Marc Vergnet, a long-time figure in sustainable development. VERGNET is currently the leading manufacturer in its three businesses: the design and production of wind turbines for the FARWIND® markets, water supply equipment in Africa and photovoltaic solar energy power plants overseas. On the back of singular patented technologies, the Group has already installed more than 700 FARWIND® wind turbines, and supplies water to over 50 million people worldwide. The FARWIND® market covers over 130 countries in which electricity is mainly produced from oil and where infrastructures, limited logistical resources and prevailing wind conditions mitigate against the installation of conventional wind turbines. The Group is also developing a presence on the local wind farm market, PROXWIND®, primarily in the United Kingdom and Italy. The Group has 11 facilities worldwide (France, Caribbean, Pacific, Indian Ocean, Africa) and some 250 employees.

The VERGNET Group has been listed on the Alternext market since 12 June 2007 (FR0004155240 – ALVER).

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