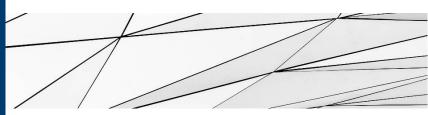


PRESS RELEASE

Stefano Donnarumma appointed as senior advisor at EQUITA

Mr. Donnarumma will accelerate the Group's growth strategy in Alternative Asset Management and Investment Banking, and will strengthen EQUITA's positioning in Rome



Milan, September 21st, 2023

EQUITA, the leading independent investment bank in Italy, announces the appointment of Stefano Donnarumma as senior advisor, to support the management team to develop new initiatives and expand the Group's business in all areas of activity.

Thanks to his nearly 30 years of experience in industrial operations at large international groups (Alstom and Bombardier), Mr. Donnarumma has built his career in the infrastructure, energy, waste, water and aviation industries, formerly as Head of Operations at ACEA, A2A and Aeroporti di Roma, and then as Chief Executive Officer of listed companies ACEA and Terna.

Andrea Vismara, Chief Executive Officer at EQUITA, commented: "I would like to thank Stefano Donnarumma for joining our Advisory Board. I am sure he will contribute concretely to our growth strategy. His expertise and knowledge will be valuable for the team for several reasons, supporting the development of both Alternative Asset Management and Investment Banking divisions".

Stefano Donnarumma, newly appointed Senior Advisor at EQUITA, commented: "I am very pleased with this partnership because EQUITA and its professionals share my personal and professional view about the green transition. In recent years, I have been deeply involved in developing a strategy for the green transition in Italy, and I believe that some of the needs of capital markets and the Italian energy industry can be fulfilled by the initiatives launched by EQUITA. This will help issuers, companies and institutions to promote a more sustainable future. I will contribute with great motivation to the projects and initiatives that we will identify jointly. This will be a win-win partnership considering the professionalism, reputation and values that I found in Andrea Vismara and the other managers of this esteemed Group".

Mr. Donnarumma will play an important role in the development of the new asset class announced by EQUITA last June 21st, 2023 (see the <u>press release</u>), focused on investments in the infrastructure and renewable sector. Thanks to his deep understanding of energy and green themes – in Italy as well as abroad – he will partner with the EGIF team to launch EQUITA Green Impact Fund, supporting the fundraising among institutional investors, and will act as advisor to the EGIF investment committee to identify the new fund's investment opportunities.

Balthazar Cazac, Managing Partner of EGIF at EQUITA, commented: "We are very excited that Stefano has joined our team, and look forward to growing and expanding together the EQUITA initiative in the sustainable infrastructure domain over the coming years. Stefano's unparalleled wealth of knowledge and depth of expertise will elevate the team's standing in the marketplace and enhance our ability to access exceptional opportunities for investment. His proven talent in foreseeing significant industry trends will stand us in good stead in a fast-evolving landscape".

As senior advisor at EQUITA, Mr. Donnarumma will also be involved in the development of the Group's Investment Banking activities, thanks to his broad and diversified network of contacts among financial, industrial and institutional stakeholders, by strengthening and consolidating EQUITA's positioning in Rome, where the Group has been investing for time with the appointment of other senior advisors.

Carlo Andrea Volpe, Co-Head of Investment Banking at EQUITA, declared: "Stefano Donnarumma decided to share both our values and ambitious entrepreneurial project: this makes us very proud. I firmly believe his strong track record and network of contacts will help us to strengthen our positioning in Rome and consolidate EQUITA's role as the leading independent investment bank in Italy".



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