



# IDEMIA appoints Didier Fontaine as Chief Operating Officer

Didier Fontaine will join IDEMIA on 2nd November as Chief Operating Officer (COO) in charge of Finance, Legal, Strategy, M&A, IT and Purchasing.

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Didier Fontaine comes with over 25 years of top management experience with several major international groups.

After a career as a top-class athlete, he started working in the banking industry, where he occupied various positions for close on ten years in France, Canada and Brazil. He then performed a number of management roles in treasury, finance and IT, with Schlumberger (from 1995 to 2001) followed by Faurecia (from 2002 to 2005).

From 2005, Didier Fontaine began a new chapter in his career carrying out various senior executive roles working to develop and enhance the value of several companies. He was pivotal, for instance, in transforming Plastic Omnium during the 2008 economic crisis as Executive Vice President, Finance and IT.

In 2012, Didier Fontaine joined Constellium as Chief Financial Officer and Head of Purchasing and IT. During his tenure with Constellium, the company successfully floated on the New York Stock Exchange in 2013. After having served, from 2016 to 2018, as Zodiac Aerospace's Administrative and Financial Director with responsibility for legal affairs, IT and purchasing, where he played a big part in the Zodiac Aerospace/Safran merger, he was Group Chief Financial Officer of Verallia Packaging, where he successfully oversaw the company's 2019 listing on Euronext. At Verallia Packaging, he also managed M&A, IT, purchasing and supply chain.

*I am thrilled that Didier will be joining us to help us build our future. He has a great Executive track record and his financial, corporate and international experience in a number of sectors will be a major asset for us.*

Pierre Barrial, IDEMIA Group President & CEO

*I am excited to be joining IDEMIA, a company at the cutting edge of technology, at a crucial time in its development. Alongside Pierre Barrial and his management team, I will do my utmost to apply all my financial, legal, IT and organizational career experience to IDEMIA's current and future projects, so that the company meets its targets.*

Didier Fontaine

**About us** - - IDEMIA, the global leader in Augmented Identity, provides a trusted environment enabling citizens and consumers alike to perform their daily critical activities (such as pay, connect and travel), in the physical as well as digital space.

Securing our identity has become mission critical in the world we live in today. By standing for Augmented Identity, an identity that ensures privacy and trust and guarantees secure, authenticated and verifiable transactions, we reinvent the way we think, produce, use and protect one of our greatest assets – our identity – whether for individuals or for objects, whenever and wherever security matters. We provide Augmented Identity for international clients from Financial, Telecom, Identity, Public Security and IoT sectors. With close to 15,000 employees around the world, IDEMIA serves clients in 180 countries.

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