

## **ETIENNE BERTIN JOINS REXEL AS CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER**

Rexel has announced the appointment of Etienne Bertin as Chief Information Officer for the Group. Bertin, who joins on the 28<sup>th</sup> August 2012, will report directly to Peter Hakanson, Group Operations Director.

Bertin will be responsible for the Group's IT infrastructure, strategy and direction. He will work closely with the IT teams in situ across Rexel's offices around the world to develop a clear and cohesive global IT roadmap in order to ensure strong customer and end-user satisfaction, improve cost-efficiency and support the development of new business models.

Having previously held senior positions in the IT departments of large groups, Bertin brings extensive experience of managing IT teams and driving through large scale IT systems projects.

### **Biography**

Bertin joins Rexel from FNAC, a leading French consumer electronics retailer, where he has worked as Managing Director for IT since 2006. Prior to this he worked as IT Director for Europe for French supermarket chain Carrefour, which he joined in 1999 and as consultant for CSC (formerly KPMG Peat Marwick) from 1997. Bertin started his career as a consultant for CapGemini in 1995.

Bertin, 42, graduated with a Degree in Engineering from the Ecole Supérieure d'Informatique, Electronique et Automatique and holds a Masters in Finance from Paris Dauphine University.

Rexel, a global leader in the distribution of sustainable and innovative products and services for automation, technical supply and energy management, addresses three main markets - industrial, commercial and residential. The Group supports customers around the globe, wherever they are, to create value and run their business better. With a network of some 2,200 branches in 37 countries, and over 28,000 employees, Rexel's sales were €12.7 billion in 2011. Its majority shareholders are an investor group led by Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, Eurazeo and BAML Capital Partners.

Rexel is listed on the Eurolist market of Euronext Paris (compartment A, ticker RXL, ISIN code FR0010451203). It is included in the following indices: SBF 120, CAC Mid 100, CAC AllTrade, CAC AllShares, FTSE EuroMid, FTSE4Good, STOXX600 and ASPI Eurozone.

For more information, visit Rexel's web site at [www.rexel.com](http://www.rexel.com)

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