

## LBO France strengthens its digital health team and consolidates its European ambitions with the recruitment of Matthes Seeling as Investment Director based in Berlin

Paris, October 7, 2022 - As a multi-specialist investment platform, LBO France has developed a Venture - Digital Health activity since 2016 through its SISA and Digital Health 2 funds. The arrival of Matthes Seeling, a medical doctor and Medtech specialist, who will be based in Berlin, will enable the Digital Health team to continue its development in Europe and, in particular, to take advantage of investment opportunities in digital health offered by the DACH region by having a local presence.

As part of its platform strategy, LBO France is developing in-depth expertise in market segments identified as promising. In digital health, LBO France supports companies in the late stage of development whose ambition is to contribute to improving healthcare systems by becoming world leaders in their sector.

LBO France's Venture – Digital Health investment team has both sector and business expertise, being composed of doctors and tech specialists. A pioneer in this segment, it was one of the first in Europe to set up a specialized fund and has a track record of 20 investments in France and in the UK.

The arrival of Matthes Seeling, a physician and Medtech specialist, will enable the Venture – Digital Health team to directly address companies in the DACH region (Germany, Austria, Switzerland), one of the most dynamic in Europe with approximately €2 billion in cumulative investments between 2010 and 2020 and about the same amount since 2020. By being based in Berlin, Matthes Seeling will be at the heart of one of Europe's most promising ecosystems in the medical field. With 40,000 new companies founded every year, Berlin has become one of the most attractive cities in Europe for start-ups, especially in the field of life sciences and digital health.

Matthes Seeling holds a medical degree from the Freie Universität Berlin, a doctorate in medicine from the Charité Berlin and a master's degree in Health Systems Management from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. He began his career within the German hospital group Vivantes as a physician in various Berlin sites.

He then joined Berlin's Charité University Hospital first as a specialist physician, before taking over the commercial management of the hospital's Center for Anesthesiology, Intensive Care Medicine and Operating Room Management. Since 2018, he held the position of Director Integrated Healthcare Solutions for Germany at Medtronic, a global American medical technology company. From 2009 to 2011, Matthes Seeling was a consultant and then Deputy Director at the German Hospital Federation.

"I am very pleased that Matthes Seeling is joining us. We are convinced that the DACH market has great potential in digital health, which we will be able to seize. Thanks to Matthes, we now have an office in Berlin. His international background and vision of tomorrow's healthcare will also be invaluable in our European ambition to support the dynamics of our Venture - Digital Health activities," says Valéry Huot, Partner, Head of Venture - Digital Health.

## **About LBO France**

A pioneer in private equity in France, LBO France is today a leading multi-specialist investment platform with €6 billion under management through its subsidiaries Twenty-First Capital in Paris and Polis Fondi SGR in Italy. Its investment strategy is based on five distinct segments managed by dedicated teams: Mid and Small Cap LBO, Digital Health Venture, Real Estate and Proptech, Infrastructure Debt and Listed Investment. For several years, the Company has expanded its activities in Europe, particularly in Italy with teams in Milan and Rome, as well as on the African continent. Wholly owned by its managers, LBO France is one of the founding members of the international climate initiative and one of the first signatories of the France Invest charter for parity.

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