

FRENCH COMPETITION AUTHORITY APPROVES GL EVENTS' ACQUISITION OF EVENT VENUES OPERATED BY FIMALAC

GL EVENTS (FR0000066672, GLO), THE INTEGRATED EVENT INDUSTRY GROUP, ANNOUNCES THAT IT HAS RECEIVED APPROVAL FROM THE FRENCH COMPETITION AUTHORITY (AUTORITÉ DE LA CONCURRENCE) TO PROCEED WITH THE ACQUISITION OF EVENT VENUES OPERATED BY FIMALAC.

Following a review conducted by the Competition Authority, GL events has obtained approval to proceed with the acquisition of all regional event venues (23) as well as Salle Pleyel, an iconic performance and concert hall in Paris. This acquisition significantly strengthens its network of sites and regional presence. It realises GL events' ambition to create a leading cultural player in France, capable of structuring an integrated offering covering the entire sector value chain and enhances its proposition for the MICE market.

Olivier Ginon, Chairman-CEO of GL events Group, states:

“The approval from the Competition Authority will enable us to complete this transaction swiftly, which represents a major milestone in GL events' development and in the structuring of the French cultural sector and the enhancement of the offering for the MICE market. It is based on an ambitious industrial vision, serving regional attractiveness and the influence of live entertainment. This acquisition is fully aligned with our strategy to strengthen our positioning in venue operations in France. I thank the Ladreit de Lacharrière family for their trust and the constructive discussions we have had since the inception of this transaction.”

Following this transaction, Fimalac acquires a 1% stake in GL events' share capital, demonstrating its confidence in the development prospects of the combined entity. The closing of this transaction is expected to take place from 16 April 2026.

ABOUT GL EVENTS:

www.gl-events.com



About GL events: The Group is a world-class provider of integrated solutions and services for events operating across the three main market segments: conventions, conferences, congresses; cultural, sports and political events; trade shows / B2B and B2C exhibitions and consumer fairs. GL events' activities are organised into three major business divisions. **GL events Live** provides a complete range of services for corporate, institutional and sports events, and offers turnkey solutions from consulting and design to staging the event itself. **GL events Exhibitions** manages and coordinates the Group's portfolio of more than 200 proprietary trade fairs covering a wide range of sectors: food industry, culture, textiles/fashion, manufacturing... **GL events Venues** manages a network of 60 venues (convention and exhibition centres, concert halls and multi-purpose facilities) in France and international destinations.

Present on five continents with operations in more than 20 countries, GL events has 6,310 employees. GL events is listed on Euronext Paris, Compartment B (mid-caps).



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