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## PRESS RELEASE

**HdP appoints three new Directors: Maurizia Squinzi is now in charge of the Administration, Finance and Control Department; Giorgio Valerio is responsible for Business Development and M & A; while Antonio Concina heads the External Relations Department.**

HdP, within the process of company reorganization started by HdP and RCS and the relevant reorganization of the "corporate" structure, informs that the following appointments have just been made inside the Group:

Maurizia Squinzi assumes the function of Director of Administration, Finance and Control with responsibilities for the Directions of Financial Statement and Consolidated Balance Sheet, Planning and Management Control, Finance and Investor Relations.

Maurizia Squinzi has a university degree in Business Economics which she obtained at Bocconi University in Milan, and previously covered the same functions within Poste Italiane, after working inside Montedison Group, Olivetti Group and CIR Group.

Giorgio Valerio, who has already been working inside the group for many years now, was appointed Director of Business Development and Mergers & Acquisitions with the responsibility to promote and support the development of the Group's activities in Italy and on the international markets.

Antonio Concina assumes the Direction of External Relations, that group the Communication Department, Institutional Relations and Public Relations.

For many years Antonio Concina worked in the same position inside Telecom Italia and he has recently established his own Public Relations agency in Rome, in a partnership with SEC Group. He took his degree at Harvard, and boasts several successful working experiences both in Italy and abroad, particularly in the United States, where he lived for a long period.

All the above-mentioned functions directly refer to the Chief Executive Officer Maurizio Romiti.

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