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Beazley appoints Michèle Horner as Country Manager France

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Beazley, the leading specialty insurance provider, today announced the appointment of Michèle Horner as Country Manager for France and Monaco, effective immediately. Based in Paris, Michèle Horner will focus on developing Beazley's business in France while retaining her current role within the Distribution Team as Partner Engagement Manager for France.

Horner brings more than 15 years of experience working in the French market to the role, two of which has been at Beazley, where she has led the French broker distribution operations. During this time, she has strengthened the company's engagement strategies in France and built a strong network of broker partners and clients.

Prior to joining Beazley, Horner worked with a number of international brands, supporting them as they expanded into European markets. For example she played a vital role in the launch of Christie & Co’s first international office in Paris, developing its French hotel business before joining both the French and Group boards. During her career, she has also held a number of key positions, including Commercial Director at GEA Assurances and Affinity Development Director at Add Value Assurances, part of the Acturis Group.

Fred Kleiterp, Managing Director for Europe, says: "Our clients are navigating an increasingly complex world and in creating the role of Country Manager, we are further demonstrating our commitment to building our presence in Europe to better serve and support our clients. Michèle will be a central point of contact in France, developing and strengthening our relationships with partners, regulators and clients, while ensuring that our colleagues have the tools they need to develop their own strategic relationships. It is clear through her achievements, expertise, and market reputation, that she has the experience to effectively lead the team in France, drive business development, and help grow our capabilities in Europe".

Michèle Horner added: "We have built strong foundations with a fantastic team in the French market, developing valuable partnerships with our brokers and customers. As we move into the next phase of our expansion in Europe, I am excited to continue working with our partners, growing together and providing specialist solutions and expertise to an evolving and dynamic market."

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