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CFA Physically based in Paris, France, Mr. Ding is part of ZTE's HQ investment management team, reporting directly to Group Head of M&A, and is assigned to be in charge of all acquisition and investment related operations for ZTE with a strategic focus on European and American market. Also Mr. Ding is a Board member of ZTE Services Deutschland GmbH (Germany), and ZTE Managed Services Southern Europe, S.L. (Spain) on behalf of ZTE Group's shareholder interest.

Between 2014 and the beginning of 2016, and before joining ZTE Corporation, Mr. Ding was a founding member of the investment banking business in Europe for Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC), the largest bank in China, and was deputy to the head of that business, helped overseeing all investment banking related business (M&A / PE / Acquisition financing, etc.) in 8 European countries for ICBC. In this role he was mainly advising Chinese corporate and governmental clients in their outbound acquisitions / investments into Europe, and helped consummate more than a dozen transactions in the region, including Jinjiang International's €1.3bn acquisition of Groupe du Louvre in France, and Fosun International's €1.1bn acquisition of Caixa Seguros in Portugal.

Prior to that, between the beginning of 2010 and end of 2013, Mr. Ding was working in the M&A department of Société Générale, second largest bank in France, in its HQ in Paris, France. He was deeply involved in multiple buy-side and/or sell-side M&A processes, and acquired relevant experience in advising European clients in their cross border M&A transactions. Transactions he helped closed include the €20bn merger between GDF Suez (now known as ENGIE) and IPR, IK Investment Partners' secondary buyout of Unipex Group, IPO of KION Group on Frankfurt stock exchange, IPO of Constellium on NYSE, to name a few.

Mr. Ding also used to work as a FP&A financial analyst in Amazon France's finance department in Paris.

Mr. Ding graduated from ESSEC Business School (Paris, France) with a French Grande Ecole program degree / MBA degree, and previously from BLCU (Beijing, China) with a bachelor degree in Literature with highest honor. He also studied in UK (University of Newcastle upon Tyne), and US (Booth Business School, University of Chicago). Mr. Ding speaks three languages (Chinese, English, and French), and is awarded as a designated CFA ® charterholder since 2014, and AMF (French financial market regulator) certificate holder since 2011.