



Press release

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Partnership renewed between Natixis and Racing Metro 92

Natixis, official sponsor of Metro 92 since 2007, is renewing its commitment to the Sky Blue and Whites for the next three seasons, from 2013-2014 to 2015-2016.

After making an assessment of its partnership with Racing Metro 92 over the three preceding seasons, Natixis is reaffirming its support to the Club.

This commitment reflects the similarity between the bank's values and those of the Club (fighting spirit, sense of effort, team spirit) and its employees' attachment to the Sky Blue and Whites.

"By choosing to continue its partnership, Natixis confirms its support to the ambitions of Racing Metro 92, which will drive this nice team to great achievements in France and in Europe", said Laurent Mignon, Chief Executive Officer of Natixis.

"Natixis has been our major partner since 2007. This compels us to achieve a certain degree of excellence as part of a partnership which goes beyond financial support. Our relationship is one of sharing and growing together", added Jacky Lorenzetti, president of Racing Metro 92.

As part of the renewed partnership, Natixis also supports the three rugby schools of Racing Metro 92. This is an opportunity for a thousand young people to experience the pleasures of rugby and to share the values of sport, which is an excellent factor of integration, or even of success.

Now that it is committed to the training of young people and to detecting talents alongside the Club, Natixis will also contribute to the future of Racing Metro 92.

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Natixis

Natixis is the corporate, investment and financial services arm of Groupe BPCE, the 2nd-largest banking group in France with 21% of total bank deposits and 36 million clients spread over two networks, Banque Populaire and Caisse d'Épargne. With around 22,000 employees, Natixis has a number of areas of expertise which are organized in three main business lines: Wholesale Banking, Investment Solutions and Specialized Financial Services.

A global player, Natixis has its own client base of companies, financial institutions and institutional investors as well as the client base of individuals, professionals and small and medium-size businesses of Groupe BPCE's two retail banking networks.

Listed on the Paris stock exchange, it has a solid financial base with total Core Tier 1 capital of €13.6 billion, a Core Tier 1 ratio of 9.2% (Basel 3) and quality long-term ratings (Standard & Poor's: A / Moody's: A2 / Fitch Ratings: A+). (Figures as at December 31, 2012).

Racing Metro 92

Racing Club was established in 1882 (it became Racing Club de France in 1885) as an athletics club. New sections were regularly added thereafter. A rugby section was founded in 1890, which became an immediate protagonist of the early French championship, being five times French champion (1892, 1900, 1902, 1959, 1990), once champion of Rugby Pro D2 (2009), once champion of Coupe de l'Espérance and more than 15 times winner of the French junior championship. In 2005, it was renamed Racing Metro 92 following the creation of a "Société anonyme sportive professionnelle" [stock company](SASP) by the Racing club de France and the US Métro. Having its base in its new training center in Le Plessis-Robinson, in the Hauts-de-Seine department, the club now plays at the Yves-du-Manoir stadium in Colombes. Its current president is Jacky Lorenzetti, majority shareholder of the club after purchasing the majority of the shares of the SASP in 2006. The first team, trained by Gonzalo Quesada, Simon Raiwalui and Patricio Noriega, has been playing in the Top 14 for four seasons, in which it played three finals. Racing Metro 92 is also a training club: it supplied close to 80 French international players and twelve "XV de France" major captains, including Frantz-Reichel, Jean-Pierre Rives and Lionel Nallet.