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COFACE SA signs €700m syndicated loan agreement

As part of the refinancing of its factoring activities, COFACE SA signed an agreement with a group of banking partners for a €700 million syndicated euro loan on 28 July 2017. This syndicated loan replaces existing bilateral credit lines.

The Group is supported by six banking partners: Natixis, Société Générale, BNPParibas, Crédit Agricole CIB, acting as Mandated Lead Arrangers and Bookrunners, HSBC and BRED acting as Mandated Lead Arrangers. Natixis is acting as Documentation Agent and Société Générale as Facility Agent.

The loan is put in place for three years, with an option to extend its duration by one year, exercisable twice, subject to the banks' agreement.

This operation enables the Group to increase its financial flexibility and to extend the maturity of its refinancing debt, whilst benefiting from current favorable market conditions and strengthening its relationships with its leading banks, who thus confirm their commitment to Coface over the mid-term.

Carine Pichon, Chief Financial & Risk Officer, commented:

« We are pleased to implement a syndicated loan agreement which builds on and strengthens the quality of our relationships with our leading banking partners. By simplifying its structure and prolonging the average maturity of our debt, this loan agreement is fully aligned with the objectives of our strategic plan, Fit to Win. »



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9M-2017 results: 25 October 2017, after market close

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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For regulated information on Alternative Performance Measures (APM), please refer to our interim financial report for the first half 2017 and 2016 Registration document.

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