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Whittington Group Appoints Chen Xia-Ling

London, 9 January 2009 - We are delighted to announce that Chen Xia-Ling will join the management team in Singapore as Chief Financial Officer (Asia) on 12 January 2009. Xia-Ling is a Singaporean with an MBA from De La Salle University, Manila and is a Fellow of the Chartered Certified Accountants (UK), speaking English, Mandarin, Chinese and Hokkien.

Xia-Ling has worked at Aviva for the past 6 years latterly as Finance Director, Aviva Singapore, Hong Kong and Middle East and before that as Senior Manager, business development. She has also had experience working in Private Equity and investment banking and so comes to Whittington with a wealth of relevant experience.

Xia-Ling will be responsible for all the financial aspects of the Group's business in Asia and will report to Elaine Seaburgh on this main function. Singapore based Finance staff will report to Xia-Ling and she will provide local knowledge and expertise to our business development and due diligence capability for acquisitions, working closely with Ross Bunday, Kevin Lee and Tony Hobrow on these activities.

Tony Hobrow
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