

# COMMUNIQUÉ DE PRESSE

## Sodexo: Sophie Bellon Appointed Chairwoman of the Board

**Issy-les-Moulineaux, January 26, 2016** – Following the January 26, 2016 Shareholders' Meeting, Sodexo's Board of Directors will appoint Sophie Bellon as Chairwoman. She will succeed Pierre Bellon, Sodexo's founder and Chairman, who will become Chairman Emeritus.

After graduating from EDHEC Business School, Sophie Bellon began her career in 1985 in the United States, first in the finance and then in the fashion sectors. She returned to France in 1994 to join Sodexo, where she has taken part in the landmark steps in the Group's growth, including major acquisitions and international expansion during the 1990s, the Quality of Life services offer and, more recently, the Group's Research, Development and Innovation strategy. This experience has prepared her for her future role as Chairwoman, which she sees as having two underlying goals: pursuing the Group's record of innovation-led profitable growth while upholding its mission and core values.

Sophie Bellon joined Sodexo's Board of Directors in 1989 and has been Vice Chairwoman since November 29, 2013. She has also been a member of L'Oréal's Board of Directors since April 2015.

### About Sodexo

Founded in 1966 by Pierre Bellon, Sodexo is the global leader in services that improve Quality of Life, an essential factor in individual and organizational performance. Operating in 80 countries, Sodexo serves 75 million consumers each day through its unique combination of On-site Services, Benefits and Rewards Services and Personal and Home Services. Through its more than 100 services, Sodexo provides clients an integrated offering developed over nearly 50 years of experience: from food services, reception, safety, maintenance and cleaning, to facilities and equipment management; from Meal Pass, Gift Pass and Mobility Pass benefits for employees to in-home assistance and concierge services. Sodexo's success and performance are founded on its independence, its sustainable business and financial model and its ability to continuously develop and to engage the commitment of its 420,000 employees throughout the world.

### Key figures (As of August 31, 2015)

**19.8 billion** euro in consolidated revenues  
**420,000** employees  
**19th** largest employer worldwide  
**80** countries  
**32,000** sites  
**75 million** consumers served daily  
**14 billion** euro in market capitalization (as of January 12, 2016)

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