



Press release

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Promotions in all four regions.

Argos, an independent European private equity group, has announced a series of promotions across its various offices. The Argos team now comprises 75 employees present in four regions: France, Italy, Benelux and DACH.

Investment team

- **Arne Louwagie** (Benelux) is promoted to Senior Director
- **Pierre Cassagnol** (France) is promoted to Director
- **Tobias Kappis** (DACH) is promoted to Director
- **Sacha Benkemoun** (France) is promoted to Investment Manager
- **Greta Allio** (Italy) is promoted to Associate
- **Josephine Grätsch** (DACH) is promoted to Associate

IR and Fund Services team

- **Alex Raicher** is promoted to Sales & Investor Relations Director
- **Sofia El Abadi** is promoted to Investor Relations Manager – Client Solutions
- **Jie Li-Girard** is promoted to Senior Middle Officer

Louis Godron and Karel Kroupa, Managing Partners at Argos, said, “Promoting talent has always been at the heart of Argos’ culture. These appointments reflect our strong, pan-European teams and the shared values that unite us across geographies. They recognise the exceptional commitment of our colleagues and illustrate our ambition to continue building an independent European private equity platform, driven by collaboration, excellence and long-term alignment.”



Arne Louwagie joined Argos in 2016 as a member of the Benelux investment team.

He holds an Master in Business Engineering (University of Leuven) and a Specialised Master in Financial Management (Vlerick Business School). Prior to joining Argos, Arne gained M&A experience at Squarefield (Amsterdam).

Arne currently supports several portfolio companies including Schenk Tanktransport, Gantrex, and Lineas, where he holds a position of board member and supports on several value creation and refinancing initiatives. He notably played a key role in the acquisition of Schenk in 2021 and its transformational acquisition of Suttons in 2024, next to several other add-ons acquisitions. Previously, he contributed to the acquisition and portfolio management of Cohedron (divested in 2021).

In addition to his investment responsibilities, Arne is actively engaged in Argos' internal initiatives, notably through local team management, and the Pan-European training academy for the Argos Directors and Managers.

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Pierre Cassagnol joined Argos in 2019 as a member of the French investment team.

He holds an MSc in Engineering from INP-EI Purpan and a Master in Management (MiM) from ESSEC Business School. Prior to joining Argos, Pierre gained experience in Private Equity and M&A at Transcapital.

Pierre currently supports several portfolio companies including Agôn Electronics, Zodiac Milpro and Routin, where he serves as a board member. He notably played a key role in Agôn's transformative acquisition of Tronico in 2024 and was also involved in the acquisitions of Adaltra (Argos Mid-Market) in 2023 and Routin (Argos Climate Action) in 2024. Previously, he managed investments in Juratoys (divested in 2022) and La Compagnie des Desserts (divested in 2023).

In addition to his investment responsibilities, Pierre is actively engaged in Argos' internal initiatives, notably through coaching and training junior team members.

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Tobias Kappis joined Argos in 2019 as a member of the DACH investment team.

Tobias holds a Master of Science in Management and Technology from the Technical University of Munich and a Bachelor of Science in Banking and Finance from Frankfurt School of Finance & Management. Prior to joining Argos, Tobias gained experience in Private Equity and Consulting at Paragon Partners and KPMG.

Tobias currently supports Lavatio, Bakery Schmidt, and Norline. He serves on the boards of both Lavatio and Bakery Schmidt. He played a central role in the acquisition of Lavatio in 2024 as the first DACH investment of the Argos Climate Action fund and in executing its two subsequent add-on acquisitions. He also

contributed to the acquisitions for the Argos Mid-Market fund of Norline in 2023 and Bakery Schmidt in 2024.

Besides, Tobias is also engaged in several firm-wide initiatives and contributes to the growth and development of junior colleagues.

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Sacha Benkemoun joined Argos in 2024 as a member of the French investment team.

Sacha holds a Master in Management from EM Lyon Business School and a Bachelor's degree in Economic Sciences. He joined Argos after gaining experience in Private Equity, Transaction Services and M&A at Flandrin Capital and PwC.

He is currently involved in advanced-stage new investment opportunities across both fund strategies. In addition, Sacha is actively involved in firm-wide initiatives, including the recruitment and training of junior team members.

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Greta Allio joined Argos in 2023 as a member of the Italian investment team.

Greta holds a M.Sc in Economics of Financial Institutions and Markets - Catholic University of the Sacred Heart (Italy) and a B.Sc. In Business Administration – University of Milano – Bicocca (Italy). She joined Argos after gaining experience in an independent M&A boutique.

Greta currently supports Monviso and Latteria e Caseificio Moro. Notably, she played a key role in the acquisition of Monviso and in the refinancing transaction of Latteria e Caseificio Moro. She is also a member of the Argos Foundation, where she is responsible for the Italian association it supports.

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Josephine Grätsch joined Argos in 2025 as a member of the DACH investment team.

Josephine holds a Master of Science from Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien and joined Argos after gaining experience as an investment banking analyst at Harris Williams.

Josephine currently supports LoQu and Wibit. Notably, she played a key role in the refinancing transaction of LoQu in 2025. She is also actively involved in the internship recruitment process for the DACH region.

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Alex Raicher joined Argos in 2023 as a member of the Investor Relations team.

Alex holds a Master's degree in Business with Finance and Accounting from Warwick Business School. He joined Argos from Bridges Fund Management, where, as part of the Investor Relations Team, he was responsible for project management and client coverage. Prior to Bridges, Alex worked for Hamilton Lane in their London office.

Alex is responsible for developing and maintaining relations with investors, primarily in the Netherlands, the UK, the Nordics, North America, and APAC.

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Sofia El Abadi joined Argos in 2022 as a member of the Investor Relations team.

Sofia holds a Master of science from Skema Business School. Prior to joining Argos, Sofia gained experience in investor relations at JC Decaux.

Sofia is responsible for bespoke client solution processes including secondary transactions, co-investments and new investor onboarding. She also supports relationships with existing investors.

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Jie Li-Girard joined Argos in 2021 as a member of the Fund Services team.

Jie holds a Master in Management from ESCP Europe (Grande École Programme, 2014–2017) and joined Argos after gaining experience in the Transaction Services department of a Big Four firm.

Jie oversees several Argos funds, working across both the Mid-Market strategy and the ACA strategy. She's committed to delivering reliable analyses and ensuring smooth operational execution, while also supervising and mentoring juniors and interns.

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About Argos

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One firm, two strategies. Argos is an independent European private equity group that supports the growth of mid-sized businesses and backs their management teams.

With over 2.3bn€ assets under management, 35 years of experience and more than 100 businesses assisted, Argos operates from offices in Amsterdam, Brussels, Frankfurt, Geneva, Luxembourg, Milan, and Paris. The

group seeks to acquire majority stakes and invests between €15m and €100m in each investment of its two strategies:

- the Argos Mid-Market fund unlocks business potential and helps companies make it to the next level;
- the Argos Climate Action fund aims at shaping European sustainable leaders by accelerating their 'grey-to-green' transition.