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NOVUM Capital Partners builds up its Board with two financial sector veterans



The two veterans together combine 80 years of financial experience. Walter Gubert, former Chairman of JP Morgan Europe, and Klaas Meertens, currently Managing Partner of private equity firm HTP, have joined the Board of NOVUM Capital Partners. Their experience and network will be a considerable asset to help the Geneva-based multi-family office continue its exceptional growth.

Before retiring in 2020, Walter Gubert, British/Italian, 73 years old, spent a distinguished career of 45 years at JP Morgan, rising through the ranks from Credit Analyst in 1973 to Chairman of JP Morgan Europe as of 2004. In 1998, he was appointed to the board of JPMorgan. In that capacity he led the negotiations culminating in the merger with Chase Manhattan Corp. Speaking five languages fluently, Walter spent his international career mostly between New York and London.



Klaas Meertens, Dutch, 64 years old, spent around 10 years of his professional life with McKinsey where he was Partner in their Amsterdam office focusing on financial institutions. He also spent over 10 years with JPMorgan where he first headed their TMT efforts for EMEA, and later headed investment banking coverage for Benelux and Switzerland. For over 10 years, he has been the Managing Partner of HTP Investments, a PE investment firm managing internal money only. Last year, HTP Investments successfully floated Knaus Tabbert on the Frankfurt stock exchange. And in March this year, EFIC1, of which Meertens was the co-architect and anchor investor, was IPO-ed on Euronext. Meertens is a supervisory board member of both Knaus Tabbert and EFIC1. He is also Co-founder and a client of NOVUM.



***Experience
is the
teacher of
all things.***

Julius Caesar



These two prominent figures of the financial sector were already involved with NOVUM Capital Partners as clients of the multi-family office. Now seating at the Board, they bring their international experience to advise investment and strategic decisions at NOVUM.

Walter Gubert noted: “Every aspect of our economies and arguably our lives is changing at an unprecedented pace. So are the challenges and opportunities this creates for every investor. NOVUM assists their families with a well-tested approach: a first-class team passionately dedicated to bringing value.”

Commenting on joining the board of NOVUM, Meertens stated: “The idea with NOVUM was to build a Multi Family Office that would be the new gold standard for the industry. After three years, serving more than 15 UHNW families with over 2 CHF billion in assets with 21 professionals, I am delighted to join NOVUM in a more formal capacity. I am tremendously proud of the team and look forward to continuing my engagement in this new role”.

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