

## iM Global Partner's U.S. based Platform: Ambitious Development Plan for 2019

Paris, Philadelphia and London, December 4, 2018 - <u>iM Global Partner</u>, a multi-boutique platform that partners with unique and independent asset management companies, today announced that its U.S. platform exceeded all goals for 2018. Throughout the year, iM Global Partner contributed actively to the development of the companies it invests in through financial backing, human engagement and operational distribution capacity. It plans to accelerate its U.S. investments and distribution network in 2019.

iM Global Partner completed strategic minority investments in U.S. based Sirios Capital Management (Boston, MA) and Dynamic Beta investments (New York, NY) in 2018, expanding its U.S. portfolio which includes Dolan McEniry Capital (Chicago, IL) and Polen Capital (Boca Raton, FL).

iM Global Partner and Dolan McEniry Capital launched the iM Dolan McEniry Corporate Bond Fund (Institutional Class Ticker: IDMIX) on September 28, 2018, the first of a series of jointly marketed investment funds with partner firms. A second fund, the iM DBi Managed Futures Strategy ETF in partnership with Dynamic Beta investments (DBi), is under registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is expected to launch in early 2019.

"The iM Global Partner brand is now well established in the asset management community. We have lived up to everything we said we would do, and more," said **Philippe Couvrecelle**, chairman and CEO. "Our strategic investments and growth in the U.S. during 2018 prove the iM Global Partner value proposition that certain boutique asset management firms have the unique ability to provide excellent returns to their clients. Our objective is to provide these traditional and alternative investment firms with financial, distribution and operational support through our partnerships, positioning them for significant growth in 2019 and beyond."

The four iMGP partners in the U.S. span multiple asset classes and investment strategies, including:

- Fundamental long-term US and global equities Polen Capital.
- Fundamental value, long-term fixed income Dolan McEniry Capital.
- Long-term and long-short equities, U.S. and global Sirios Capital.
- Liquid alternatives and managed futures Dynamic Beta Investments.

"Boutique investment firms can benefit from a robust distribution platform to help them accelerate growth and reach new investment markets. Many firms are looking for partnerships that offer strategic elements like multi-asset, multi-channel distribution and sub-advisory services," said **Jeffrey Seeley**, COO and Head of U.S. Distribution of iM Global Partner. "We have invested significantly to build our U.S. operations and platform throughout 2018, adding four representatives with a plan to double the size of our staff by 2020. We are now looking for potential strategic acquisition in the distribution field on the US market in 2019. We are excited to welcome new partnerships and launch new products in the year ahead."

## **About iM Global Partner**

**iM Global Partner** is an innovative global multi-boutique platform based in Paris, London and Philadelphia. It partners with unique, independent asset management companies with the joint objective of accelerating their business growth, particularly toward worldwide and multichannel distribution. **iM** Global Partner currently has strategic minority investments in four asset managers – Polen Capital, Dolan McEniry Capital Management, Sirios Capital Management and Dynamic Beta investments – with combined assets under management of \$32.5 billion as of September 30 2018. **iM Global Partner** represents assets under management of \$8 billion in proportion to its participations. **iM Global Partner**'s strategic shareholders include Eurazeo, a leading European private equity investor, Amundi, the largest asset manager in Europe and Dassault/La Maison, a group of leading private shareholders.

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