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### *Jean-Michel Desestre will ensure the growth of Galitt Benelux*

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Payment systems in Europe continue to evolve within the SEPA (Single Euro Payments Area) and all players, including banks, pursue their development strategies based on the internationalization of their activities. With a strong will to further support its clients in this process, and to share its European expertise, Galitt has opened a new branch in Brussels in 2011.

Jean-Michel Desestre, Project Manager, is recognized for his knowledge and skills in managing large-scale projects in the industrialization of payment systems. With more than 20 years of experience, including 15 years in payment systems, he will be in charge of the new development phase of Galitt Benelux, becoming the Managing Director as of the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2013. Up until this time, he will share his time between his new role and his current assignments in France.

Jean-Michel Desestre stated that, "European development holds great potential for the Galitt group, however we must stay close to the local operational needs of our customers. European payment systems are being restructured and Belgian banks are key players in new projects such as the BC-MC scheme. It is therefore essential for us to be locally established in order to support our customers, offering our full range of activities in consulting and services in payment systems and secure electronic transactions."

Jean-Michel Desestre will reinforce Galitt's international development team, led by Gérard De Moura, Managing Director in charge of Galitt's subsidiaries.

**About Galitt** ([www.galitt.com](http://www.galitt.com)) – For more than 20 years, Galitt has been offering consulting and services in payment systems and secure electronic transactions. Regarding consulting and assistance, Galitt is providing its customers with services from strategic choices to system implementation via system design and support: business consulting, EFT business analysis and expertise, audit and security, design, specification & project management, acceptance testing, technical assistance and development, training. Engineering and technology activities are covering bespoke development, software integration, turnkey solutions, hosted solutions and testing software. Galitt indeed offers petrol and loyalty card solutions (Catti™), simulators (KaNest®), personalization validation tools (VisuCard®) and added-value solutions (VisuBank®, private labels...).

Being the reference in payment systems and electronic transactions, Galitt is the leader in France in all its businesses, and a worldwide leader in providing test tools and expertise in payment innovation.

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