



Opodo Appoints New Members To Executive Team

London, July 13 2004. Opodo, the pan-European online travel service today announced the appointment of several new members to its Executive Director Team.

Matt Murphy joins as Chief Financial Officer, bringing with him 14 years of experience from senior positions in e-Travel, Amadeus and Arthur Andersen.

Luc Boucey, currently Managing Director of Vivacances.com in France, has been appointed Acting Commercial Director, with responsibility for all product strategy, negotiations and sales and marketing.

Vince Bourke, previously Operations Director for Opodo, will also be rejoining the company as Chief Operations Officer, whilst Stuart Walters continues as Opodo's Chief Information Officer.

As announced on Thursday 8th July, Bart Tompkins from Amadeus has been appointed Acting CEO of Opodo. For the past four years Bart has been managing Amadeus' investments in online travel agents as Head of e-Business Investments. During 13 years with Amadeus, Bart has also established and run Amadeus companies in Russia, Japan, Italy and several Eastern European markets.

Bart Tompkins, Acting CEO of Opodo commented, "I feel confident that the new executive management team will be beneficial for Opodo's future strategy and growth. Opodo is already a leader in European online travel and it is our strong belief that over the next couple of years, as the online travel market increases, so Opodo will consolidate that leadership position."

The recruitment process for permanent replacements has already begun.

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About Opodo

Opodo addresses the real needs of today's traveller by offering an unbiased and competitively priced online travel service for world travel. With access to flights from over 400 airlines, 35,000 hotel properties, 7,000 car hire locations, package holidays, city breaks, lifestyle holidays, ski deals, comprehensive travel insurance and value added services such as airport parking, with Opodo you really can 'Travel Your Way'.

Opodo was created by nine of Europe's leading airlines - Aer Lingus, Air France, Alitalia, Austrian Airlines, British Airways, Finnair, Iberia, KLM and Lufthansa. Amadeus, the travel technology company based in Madrid, took a 55% controlling interest in the company in June 2004.

Opodo launched its first site (www.opodo.de) in Germany in November 2001, its UK site (www.opodo.co.uk) in January and its French site (www.opodo.fr) in April 2002.

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