

LFE announces the acquisition of Atrium Network by Canadian group TMX

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Atrium Network has been acquired by **TMX Group Inc.**, Canada's leading operator of exchanges and related services. Over the last 5 years, Atrium Network, which now operates under the TMX Atrium brand name, has become a leading provider of high availability, cost effective, low latency network solutions for the financial community in Europe and North America. **The London-based company has been advised by LFE since its inception in 2006.**

« We are very pleased by the acquisition of Atrium Network by TMX Group, one of the world's major actors in the trading and financial technology sector. The support of LFE was essential in all the major phases of the company's life, from initial funding to the recent trade sale to TMX, including VC rounds advised by LFE. As advisor to the company and its management and censor at the board of director, Sébastien Steinmetz was truly committed to our development and financial success », says **Emmanuel Carjat, co-founder of Atrium Network and CEO of TMX Atrium.**

Xavier Faure, Director at **OTC AM**, an investor in Atrium Network, adds: « LFE was key to the success of Atrium Network, from OTC's initial investment in 2007 to the final trade sale. The experience and dedication of LFE's partners are invaluable to manage the various financial, strategic and operational challenges induced by the strong growth and international development of a company such as Atrium Network. »

Sébastien Steinmetz, Managing Partner at **LFE**, says: « The acquisition of Atrium Network by TMX is the result of 5 years of entrepreneurial vision and hard work by the company's founders, employees and board members. We are very proud to have been given the opportunity to advise the company and its management and to participate in this successful venture. We are convinced that TMX Atrium's new shareholders and their current and future clients will strongly benefit from this transaction. »

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About TMX Atrium (formerly Atrium Network)

Since 2006, TMX Atrium has been providing low latency, high availability connectivity to the global financial community. With 25 points of presence in 11 countries, TMX Atrium's platform has over 300 data end points and is connected to 24 trading venues, serving customers across North America and Europe, including trans-Atlantic connectivity. Awarded in 2009 'Best New Vendor' at Financial News' European Awards and recognized as a leading innovator by Financial News in its annual Tech21 list of technology firms, TMX Atrium is currently headquartered in Luxembourg with offices in London, New York and Paris. www.tmxatrium.com

About TMX Group (TSX-X)

TMX Group's key subsidiaries operate cash and derivative markets for multiple asset classes including equities, fixed income and energy. Toronto Stock Exchange, TSX Venture Exchange, Montreal Exchange, Canadian Derivatives Clearing Corporation, Natural Gas Exchange, Boston Options Exchange (BOX), Shorcan, Shorcan Energy, Equicom and other TMX Group companies provide listing markets, trading markets, clearing facilities, data products and other services to the global financial community. TMX Group is headquartered in Toronto and operates offices across Canada (Montreal, Calgary and Vancouver), in key U.S. markets (Houston, Boston and Chicago) as well as in London. www.tmx.com

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