

Pentagon Consulting Extends Executive Management Team to Support Business Growth across the Buy-side

Pentagon appoints Andy Southon, COO and Carole Wiles, Client Services Director

London, 23 February 2016: Pentagon Consulting Group, a leading consultancy for Asset and Wealth Management and Securities/Fund Service Providers today announced it has appointed Andy Southon as COO and Carole Wiles as Client Services Director to support its growth plans for 2016. The board-level appointments will support the firm's expansion and ensure it maintains its high-level client service, as demand for Pentagon's buy-side services around the world continues to grow.

With an outstanding record of strategic buy-side IT management and delivery, Andy Southon, Chief Operating Officer, will be responsible for group operations strategy and management.

Southon comments: "Pentagon Consulting has built a reputation for deep industry thinking and reliable, honest delivery. The company's strength lies in its people, and the firm's sustained, organic growth bears testimony to their success. I'm delighted to join the team and look forward to helping our new and existing clients as they take on the challenges of 2016."

Carole Wiles, has been appointed as Client Services Director. Carole will be responsible for Pentagon's client and vendor relations and supporting Pentagon's long term growth both in Europe and North America. Having held a number of roles since joining Pentagon in 2009, Carole has worked in both an operational and marketing capacity and understands Pentagon's clients and their needs.

Matthew Peacock, CEO, Pentagon, says: "2016 promises to be an exciting year for Pentagon and our changes at board-level reflect this. Andy brings a unique level of market experience and outstanding professional management on which we can grow with confidence. With Carole's experience and breadth of knowledge, we can continue to build on our existing client relationships and deliver an unrivalled level of service."

Andy Southon joins Pentagon from the Kuwait Investment Office where, as Head of IT for nearly ten years he was responsible for every aspect of IT strategy, delivery management, and operational support. Andy also operated globally to provide strategic support and expertise to the Kuwait Investment Authority itself including major projects such as a global investment tracking repository and global business continuity planning.

Andy managed the first SimCorp Dimension project in London, and has the most extensive experience of working alongside leading vendors such as SimCorp, Charles River, Cor FS, and many more.

In addition, Andy has held a number of successful non-exec roles mentoring smaller firms such as FixCity which built and launched the ioinet service, eventually acquired by NYSE. At Legal & General, Andy was also the original leader and manager of what became today's Quasar system, and implemented the ground-breaking SCOPE project both of which were to become strategic in LGIM's exceptional growth and success.

Carole Wiles started her career at Morgan Grenfell and then Deutsche Asset Management, where she worked within the middle/back office delivering a range of IT projects to the business, before moving to Cap Gemini Ernst & Young as a Business Analyst.

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