

Sandra Pekle joins Abénex as Sustainability Officer

within the operational team



A graduate of the ESCP Master's degree in International Sustainability Management, Sandra is specialized in sustainable development and corporate social responsibility. She began her career with the L'Oréal Foundation where she carried out several projects aimed at strengthening the CSR impact of the Foundation. She now turns to the Private Equity world with the objective to help improving the ESG performance of Abénex as a management company and of all the companies in its portfolio. Sandra will bring her expertise to accelerate the environmental transition of Abénex's

portfolio of companies and enrich their social and societal initiatives. She will also be in charge of the ESG labelling of the various activities of Abénex.

With the arrival of Sandra, Abénex reinforces its engagement to serving its investments by providing specific expertise on this subject at the heart of Abénex's investment strategy for several years.

About Abénex (<u>www.abenex.com</u>)

Founded in 1992, Abénex is a historical player in French private equity market, specialized in growth and buyout transactions both as a minority and majority shareholder. Independent for more than 10 years, Abénex operates on three segments of private equity: Smallcaps, Midcaps and Real-estate.

On Small and Midcaps segments, Abénex is a long-term investor partnering with entrepreneurs and founding families, and operationally-involved in growth and operational optimization projects. Abénex invests in SMEs valued up to €50m in Smallcaps and between €50m and €500m in Midcaps.

Abénex is committed to the Management team's success, providing them with a fully dedicated operational team. Being a pioneer in 2008 when creating the team, Abénex now has 5 seasoned professionals contributing to strategic initiatives, business structuration and transformation, profitable growth and value generation. Abénex was also instrumental in the creation of Operating Partners Club of France Invest launched in 2020.

Abénex' real-estate team invests in Value-Add projects of up to €80m of asset value as well as in Core+ opportunities with an asset value in excess of €50m, notably in the retail, logistics, serviced residences and education sectors.



The team is composed of 35 professionals with demonstrated and renowned expertise, located in Paris and Lyon.

Abénex is approved by the AMF (Autorité des Marchés Financiers) to manage FPCI (Fonds Professionnels de Capital Investissement) and OPCI (Organismes de Placement Collectif Immobilier) funds.