

Data4 appoints Alexander Oyaert as Chief Investment Officer and announces a €3.3 billion debt financing to support its growth across Europe



Paris, January 28th , 2025 - <u>Data4</u>, a leading French operator and investor in Europe in the design, construction and management of data centers, announces the appointment of Alexander Oyaert as Data4's new Chief Investment Officer. Alexander previously functioned as the Chief of Staff to the CEO and will now be in charge of all Data4 Group M&A and financing activities. As first achievement, Alexander played a crucial role in the raising €3.3 billion of debt financing to support the group's growth, including €1.1 billion to support new greenfield projects and acquisitions.

Graduated in finance from the prestigious University St. Gallen and in engineering from the Free University of Brussels, Alexander previously worked for leading financial companies such as Morgan Stanley or Brookfield Asset Management where he was a Vice President in their Infrastructure division. He subsequently joined Data 4 in September 2023 as Chief of Staff.

Having a great team spirit and a motivation to be a problem solver, Alexander was also the co-founder of a non-profit organization to improve the working of the lifeguards and first aid employees in Belgium.

Alexander shared his enthusiasm : "I am looking forward to help Data4 Group continue its strong track record and retain its position as the European data center champion. Using my experience in finance, I am determined to find the funds to secure and achieve new expansion projects. Starting with this &3.3 billion financing, we will be able to support the company into the fastest growing sector across the infrastructure and real estate markets."



Olivier Micheli, CEO of Data4, said: "I am delighted to welcome Alexander as Data4's new Chief Investment Officer. This strategic role has become crucial for Data4 to support the group's expansion. With such a solid experience in the banking industry, Alexander will help us accelerate our growth and develop new funding strategies".

About Data4

Data4 is a major European operator and investor in the data center market. The Group finances, designs, builds and operates its own data centers.

Data4 Group has pioneered an ultra-connected, resilient and sustainable data center campus model, with the aim of supporting its customers' digital growth over the long term by providing them with scalable and secure hosting solutions for their IT servers, ranging from a single rack to a dedicated building. The Group is committed to a proactive approach to sustainable development through its Data4 Good program, which is based on 4 main pillars: environment, people, community and governance. Data4 Group operates some of the most powerful data center campuses in Europe, with land and electricity reserves that are unique on the European market. Data4's data centers in France, Italy, Spain, Poland, Germany and now Greece are home to international cloud operators and major telecoms providers, as well as innovative tech companies and multinationals.

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