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Galeries Lafayette announces the creation of a new Buying and Merchandising Department headed by Marianne Romestain

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Galeries Lafayette announces the creation of a new Buying and Merchandising Department, responsible for the Ready-to-wear, Accessories and Beauty categories for Galeries Lafayette and BHV MARAIS. Marianne Romestain, who joins the company today, will head this department. In this capacity, she will support the current transformation by developing the specific characteristics of the online and in-store offering, strengthening brand partnerships and enhancing the appeal of Galeries Lafayette's private labels. She will work closely with the company's other departments to offer customers a global, differentiating and omni-channel fashion range. Marianne Romestain reports to the Chief Executive Officer, Nicolas Houzé, and is a member of the Executive Committee.

Marianne Romestain is a seasoned fashion, luxury and retail professional. She has served as Chief Executive Officer of several well-known companies in these sectors and has over 25 years' experience in management, consulting, marketing and communication. She started her career in 1990 with Bossard Consultants before joining Cartier (Richemont group) in 1996, where she was successively Marketing Director Japan, Marketing Director France, and International Communication Director. In 2005, she joined Fast Retailing group as Chief Operating Officer of its brand Comptoir des Cotonniers, before her responsibilities were expanded to include management of the Princesse Tam-Tam brand. She was Chief Executive Officer of Gérard Darel group from 2011 to 2013. Since 2014, she has been Chairwoman and Chief Executive Officer of Lancel (Richemont group) where she helped reposition the brand, restructure the Women, Men, Travel and Gifts offering and launch the online range.

Aged 51, Marianne Romestain is a graduate of ENSAE (*Ecole Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Administration Economique*) and Université Paris IX-Dauphine.

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About Galeries Lafayette

Leading department store in France and famous all around the world, Galeries Lafayette has for the past 120 years been the undisputed expert in fashion and events, striving to make each visit to be a unique experience by offering French and international clients a constantly renewed selection of the best brands, ranging from the affordable to premium. Present in the fashion, accessory, beauty, interior decoration, fine foods, catering and outlet sectors, Galeries Lafayette is celebrated for its network of 61 stores in France and abroad, including the flagship store on the Boulevard Haussmann in Paris and its online shopping site, galeriesslafayette.com. More information on galeriesslafayette.com