Laurent Imbert Joins BGC Brokers As Senior Managing Director

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NEW YORK, May 15, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- BGC Brokers L.P., an entity of BGC Partners, Inc. (NASDAQ: BGCP) ("BGC Partners" or "BGC"), a leading global brokerage company servicing the wholesale financial and real estate markets, today announced the appointment of Laurent Imbert as Senior Managing Director. Mr. Imbert will focus on business expansion across all regions and business groups. He will report to Jean-Pierre Aubin, Executive Managing Director, Global Head of Listed Products and General Manager, Continental Europe.

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Mr. Imbert joins BGC with more than 20 years' experience in the financial services industry. Most recently he worked at Louis Capital Markets, an independent agency broker-dealer he co-founded in 1999 and spent thirteen years overseeing the expansion of. Prior to this, Mr. Imbert held roles at TCC, NatWest Bank and Citibank.

Commenting on the appointment, Mr. Aubin said: "Laurent has a vast wealth of financial trading knowledge and expertise and will be a valuable member of our team. I'm delighted to welcome him to BGC where he will focus on developing the business, a role I am certain he will excel in."

Mr. Imbert said: "I am delighted to join BGC, which has a growing global presence, an excellent management team and reputation, and an impressive roster of products and clients. I look forward to this new role and to working alongside Jean-Pierre and his team."

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