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**TWO INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS TO JOIN THE ALTRAN BOARD**


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In a drive to open up board membership to independent directors Altran is announcing the nomination of two non-executive directors with acknowledged expertise in a variety of fields, including industrial strategy and international development. The nominations are to be put to a forthcoming meeting of the Altran Board of Directors.

**Jean-Louis Andreu, 66**, is a civil engineer, and a graduate of the Paris Ecole des Mines. He has an MBA degree from Harvard University as well as a degree from the MITI Japanese Business Study Program.

After having worked with Paribas' Industry Division, Mr Andreu took on a position as Managing Director of CECA, a subsidiary of Groupe Empain-Schneider. Ten years later, he joined Compagnie Générale d'Electricité (CGE) initially as CEO and Chairman of the board of Joint Français and subsequently as Senior Vice-President of Compagnie Européenne des Accumulateurs. He left CGE when the company was nationalized and became Managing Director first of Société Générale Financière et Industrielle and subsequently of Société du Louvre. In 1988, he joined Schneider as Chief executive officer and Chairman of the board of Télémechanique. In 1991 he joined the Schneider Executive Committee, before being appointed Managing Director of Schneider's International Division, in charge of group activities in Asia-Pacific, South America, the Middle East and Africa, a position he held until his retirement in 2002.

During his career in business Jean-Louis Andreu also taught at the Paris University Law School, at HEC, and at the CPA.

Jean-Louis Andreu is a Chevalier in the national order of the Légion d'honneur.

**Yann Duchesne, 46**, a graduate from the Ecole Polytechnique, is a civil engineer educated at the Paris Ecole des Mines. He also holds a degree from the Paris Institut d'Etudes Politiques. He has spent most of his career to date working for McKinsey.

Mr Duchesne joined the McKinsey group in 1982 as a junior consultant in Washington, DC, and held various positions abroad before being elected partner in 1989, and Senior Partner in 1996, in charge of all industrial businesses.

From 1998 to 2002, Mr Duchesne was Managing Director of McKinsey's French operations. Since 2003 he has been Senior Partner and Managing Director for France of the Doughty Hanson private equity firm.

In 2002, Mr Duchesne's book, "France S.A.", was published by Editions du Seuil.

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**The Altran Board of Directors shall be putting these two nominations up for ratification at the group's General Meeting scheduled for June.**

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